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10A NCAC 14C .1401 DEFINITIONS

The definitions in this Rule shall apply to all rules in this Section:

- (1) "Approved neonatal service" means a neonatal service that was not operational prior to the beginning of the review period.
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- (3) "High-risk obstetric patients" means those patients requiring specialized services provided by an acute care hospital to the mother and fetus during pregnancy, labor, delivery and to the mother after delivery. The services are characterized by specialized facilities and staff for the intensive care and management of high-risk maternal and fetal patients before, during, and after delivery.
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- (9) "Neonatal intensive care services" shall have the same meaning as defined in G.S. 131E-

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From: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>

To: <u>Johnson, Linda; Stancil, Gaye S</u>

Subject: sample

Date: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 9:09:00 AM

Attachments: 2016 Hospital app blank .pdf

This was just emailed to Mike to circulate as a working document. This is not the final application. Thank you

From: Conley, Azzie
To: mvicario@ncha.org
Cc: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Subject: LRA

Date: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 9:08:00 AM

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Mike:

I have attached the 2016 LRA for use as you deem appropriate. Please note, page two has totally changed. Page two will request a copy of fair billing and charity care policies. We can no longer rely on the website for this information. The final will be forwarded to your attention asap. Will you please encourage everyone to return the completed application by the deadline. Thank you for your assistance.

From: Stanford, Jodi E

To: Conley, Azzie

Cc: Mclamb, Sandra; Pfeiffer, Nadine
Subject: RE: MHH LRA APP_2016 Ver 4
Date: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 7:35:39 AM

Attachments: 2016 Hospital app blank .doc

Sorry, I was out yesterday. Here's a blank copy of the hospital LRA.

Thanks, Jodi

Jodi Stanford

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From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Monday, October 26, 2015 8:52 AM

To: Stanford, Jodi E

Cc: Mclamb, Sandra; Conley, Azzie; Pfeiffer, Nadine

Subject: MHH LRA APP_2016 Ver 4

Jodi:

This is page two for the MHL and ASC LRAs. Please handle the formatting. Thank you.

The hospital LRA will be ready early Tuesday morning.

Could I get a generic hospital application with no hospital identifier? I need to send to the hospital association. Thank you

 From:
 Deporter, Cindy

 To:
 DHSR.AcuteHomeCare

Subject: PPT

Date: Friday, October 23, 2015 8:18:01 AM
Attachments: Procedure Manual QI Report.ppt

Hey all here is the QI PPT that we are presenting today and we will be implementing. Cindy

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From: Conley, Azzie
To: Deporter, Cindy
Subject: Procedure Manual.ppt

Date: Friday, October 16, 2015 3:38:00 PM

Attachments: Procedure Manual.ppt

Too many manuals to get the job done. Reminds me of the huge white binders we use to keep with the SOM.

I made minor change to slide 6, the list of programs. Love it!

HAPPY BOSSES DAY!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

From: Deporter, Cindy
To: Conley, Azzie
Subject: Procedure Manual.ppt

Date: Friday, October 16, 2015 2:26:40 PM

Attachments: Procedure Manual.ppt

This is update check it out

From: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>

To: Overby, Vicky V; nacole erwin-inkumsah; Suggs, Demetress L; Roberts, Annette C

Subject:Hospital Checklist Initial LicensureDate:Monday, October 05, 2015 3:25:00 PMAttachments:Hospital Checklist Initial Licensure.doc

Please find attached the initial survey checklist. Additional details will follow. Thank you

From: Conley, Azzie

To: Overby, Vicky V; nacole erwin-inkumsah; Suggs, Demetress L; Roberts, Annette C

Subject:Hospital Checklist Initial LicensureDate:Monday, October 05, 2015 3:19:32 PMAttachments:Hospital Checklist Initial Licensure.doc

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To: Stanford, Jodi E

Cc: <u>Mclamb, Sandra</u>; <u>Cogswell, Betty</u>

Subject: Re: 2016_AB APP

Date: Friday, October 02, 2015 9:45:32 PM

Sorry. There has been another change to the Women's Right to Know and I may have one final change. I was in the filed today and will follow up with DPH on Monday. Thank you!

ASC and hospital, we have to change the transparency pages and the abortion data page. I cote no changes for 2017 LRAs. Sorry.

From: Stanford, Jodi E

Sent: Friday, October 2, 2015 9:59:11 AM

To: Conley, Azzie

Cc: Mclamb, Sandra; Cogswell, Betty

Subject: RE: 2016_AB APP

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From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Thursday, October 01, 2015 4:28 PM

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Cc: Conley, Azzie
Subject: 2016_AB APP

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Cc: <u>Mclamb, Sandra</u>; <u>Cogswell, Betty</u>

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 To:
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 Subject:
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To: Conley, Azzie

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 Subject:
 RE: 2016 AB_Transmittal Memo

 Date:
 Friday, October 02, 2015 10:07:33 AM

 Attachments:
 2016 AB_Transmittal Memo.doc

Please see the revised memo attached.

Thanks, Jodi

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To: Conley, Azzie; Ethridge, Lynn; Mills, Ralph

Subject: RE: Hot topics

Date: Thursday, October 01, 2015 10:54:54 AM

Thanks Azzie!

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Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2015 9:08 AM

To: Mccarty, Debbie <debbie.mccarty@dhhs.nc.gov>; Ethridge, Lynn <lynn.ethridge@dhhs.nc.gov>;

Mills, Ralph <ralph.mills@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: FW: Hot topics

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Subject: FW: Hot topics

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To: Pratt, Drexdal

Cc: Christian, Patsy; Ouimet, Cheryl; Deporter, Cindy; Conley, Azzie

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To: Simpson, Shannon; Dougherty, Christine; Williams, Paul D.; Park, Catherine E

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Date: Thursday, October 01, 2015 9:41:00 AM

I hope this is a duplicate email.

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Subject: Re: FW: Hot topics

Looks great! Thanks Azzie

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From: Glendening, Erin

To: <u>Pfeiffer, Nadine; DHSR.Web</u>

Cc: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>
Subject: RE: Rules for posting

Date: Wednesday, September 30, 2015 4:06:11 PM

The rules have been posted on the website.

-- Erin

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To: DHSR.Web **Cc:** Conley, Azzie

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Erin,

These are the final abortion rules to be posted on the rules action page. Please move this page http://www2.ncdhhs.gov/dhsr/rules/ab2014.html down to the Rules Approved by the Rules Review Commission section of the Rules Action page and post these rules on the page you moved. These rules were approved by the RRC on 9/17/15 and are effective 10/1/15.

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To: Lamphere, Megan
Subject: FW: Rules for posting

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Merry Christmas!

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 From:
 Deporter, Cindy

 To:
 Conley, Azzie

 Subject:
 RE: Section hot topics

Date: Monday, September 28, 2015 2:49:25 PM

I haven't hear have got to call patsy about a nh issue will let you know.

Cindy DePorter, MSSW

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To: Deporter, Cindy <cindy.deporter@dhhs.nc.gov>

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I will send and include you. PS: 48 hours before deadline!!!!!!!!!!!

Any word?

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From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Monday, September 28, 2015 2:28 PM

To: Deporter, Cindy < <u>cindy.deporter@dhhs.nc.gov</u>>

Subject: Section hot topics

Cindy:

Please review. I would like to submit today.

Home Care:

- ~. Moratorium review in 2016
- ~. Timely investigations of non-certified home care complaints
- ~. Federal workload (to include hospice IMPACT)
- ~. Ongoing implementation of Medicare certified HHA enforcement process

Acute Care Programs: (collaborate with CON, MFP, IT, DHSR Rules Coordinator)

- ~. Fair Billing & Transparency (hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers)
 Refine 2016 LRA for collection of data
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- ~. Ambulatory Surgery Centers: (collaborate with CON, MFP) Implementation of pilot program (oral surgery, dental, etc)

~. Abortion: (collaborate with DPH, IT)

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Posting of surveys results on DHSR / DHHS website access

Collection of data (hospitals, ASC, ABCs)

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2015 - 2016: Request 2 - 3 additional NCCs attend CMS Basic ESRD training to meet the growing workload demands and refine the Section's regionalization program $\frac{1}{2}$

Expansion of hemo-dialysis into nursing homes

CLIA:

- ~. Pathology rules
- ~. Federal Workload
- ~. Consultant staffing (related medical care, competitive salaries)

OTHER:

~ Collaborate with DPH on pediatric health care delivery in hospitals (? Pilot within hospital settings)

Please note, this was submitted 48 hours prior to the deadline!

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From: Ouimet, Cheryl

To: Conley, Azzie; Lamphere, Megan; Speroff, Beverly; Gilliam, Stephanie; Lewis, Steven

Cc: Christian, Patsy; Pratt, Drexdal; Souza, Debbie; Cogswell, Betty

Subject: Annual Training 2015 - update slides on home-basing

Date: Monday, September 28, 2015 2:03:17 PM
Attachments: Annual Staff Training Presentation NOV 2014.ppt

Hey Folks,

Attached is the ppt presentation from last year, and slides 12-22 address the home-basing initiative. The slides specific to each section start on slide 17. The idea is to update these slides to reflect your specific section's progress with home-basing by the end of the year. I'd like the slides to reflect the # of staff who have or will be home-based so this would include staff in the Raleigh offices.

Currently, MHLC & ACLS are in the midst of home-basing staff in the Clinton and Asheville offices over the next few weeks, and we wanted all these staff to be home-based before the survey staff in Raleigh.

Drexdal, Patsy and I will be talking this week about when it would be the best time to "green light" the home-basing of Raleigh staff. I know some of these decisions are contingent on staff having all the equipment they need to be home-based. Please let us know by the end of this week what your thoughts, preference, etc for when your section could be ready to home-base Raleigh staff so we can use this in the decision-making process. In the meantime, be thinking about how you would update your slides. I will need your slide(s) back to me by 10/16 to incorporate into the ppt presentation.

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From: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>

To: Ethridge, Lynn; Mccarty, Debbie; Mills, Ralph

Subject: Re: Hot topics

Date: Tuesday, September 22, 2015 6:34:06 PM

I will finalize Thursday.

Thanks to each of you!

From: Ethridge, Lynn

Sent: Monday, September 21, 2015 10:08:24 PM **To:** Conley, Azzie; Mccarty, Debbie; Mills, Ralph

Subject: RE: Hot topics

The list looks good to me. Thanks.

Lynn Ethridge, RN, BSN

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From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Monday, September 21, 2015 7:22 PM

To: Ethridge, Lynn < lynn.ethridge@dhhs.nc.gov>; Mccarty, Debbie < debbie.mccarty@dhhs.nc.gov>;

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To: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>; <u>Ethridge, Lynn</u>; <u>Mccarty, Debbie</u>

Subject: RE: Hot topics

Date: Monday, September 21, 2015 8:35:45 PM

Thanks Azzie....

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To: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>

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Date: Monday, September 21, 2015 7:26:35 PM

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To: Deporter, Cindy < <u>cindy.deporter@dhhs.nc.gov</u>>

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My notes are in the office. I think DP, CO, and PC. Drexdal requested Sections in the meeting last week. I think to start transitioning things to Cheryl.

From: Deporter, Cindy

Sent: Monday, September 21, 2015 7:43:12 AM

To: Conley, Azzie **Subject:** RE: Hot topics

Looks fine to me. Who is this going to?

Cindy

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From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Monday, September 21, 2015 7:46 AM

To: Deporter, Cindy <<u>cindy.deporter@dhhs.nc.gov</u>>

Subject: Re: Hot topics

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From: Deporter, Cindy

Sent: Monday, September 21, 2015 7:43:12 AM

To: Conley, Azzie **Subject:** RE: Hot topics

Looks fine to me. Who is this going to?

Cindy

Cindy DePorter, MSSW

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Cc: Conley, Azzie <a >azzie.conley@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: Hot topics

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From: Deporter, Cindy
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Date: Monday, September 21, 2015 7:49:35 AM

Yeah yeah I remember now, sorry a little slow this am.

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To: Ethridge, Lynn
Subject: Re: no objections~

Date: Tuesday, September 22, 2015 6:13:04 PM

From: Ethridge, Lynn

Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2015 6:09 PM

To: Conley, Azzie

Subject: Re: no objections~

Perfect. I will check it out.

Sent from my iPad

On Sep 22, 2015, at 6:05 PM, Conley, Azzie azzie.conley@dhhs.nc.gov wrote:

Check under announcements on the DHSR home page.

From: Ethridge, Lynn

Sent: Monday, September 21, 2015 10:09:10 PM **To:** Conley, Azzie; Mccarty, Debbie; Mills, Ralph

Subject: RE: no objections~

Where do we get a copy? Thanks.

Lynn Ethridge, RN, BSN

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From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Monday, September 21, 2015 7:01 PM

To: Ethridge, Lynn < ! Mccarty, Debbie ! Mills, Ralph "mailto:ralph.mills@dhhs.gov">"mailto:ralph

Subject: Fw: no objections~

FYI. This is awesome! We need to provide copies to staff.

From: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Sent: Monday, September 21, 2015 1:07:27 PM

To: Conley, Azzie

Subject: no objections~

I heard from Amber at RRC.....there were no objection letters filed for the abortion rules!! They will become effective on October 1.

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From: Pfeiffer, Nadine
To: Conley, Azzie
Subject: RE: no objections~

Date: Tuesday, September 22, 2015 8:20:14 AM

Yea, call each one of them. No, I will post the rules on the website once we get the final version from OAH. We just hang tight until then. Talk to you soon!

From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Monday, September 21, 2015 6:53 PM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Subject: Re: no objections~

Awesome. Do we need to do an interested parties notice? I am out till Thursday!

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From: Sholar, Adam
To: Conley, Azzie
Subject: RE: no objections~

Date: Tuesday, September 22, 2015 7:00:47 AM

thanks

From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Monday, September 21, 2015 6:53 PM

To: Sholar, Adam <Adam.Sholar@dhhs.nc.gov>; McKillip, Matthew <Matt.McKillip@dhhs.nc.gov>

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From: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>

To: <u>Christian, Patsy; Ouimet, Cheryl</u>

Subject: Fw: no objections~

Date: Monday, September 21, 2015 7:03:03 PM

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From: Conley, Azzie
Subject: Fw: no objections~

Date: Monday, September 21, 2015 7:01:49 PM

From: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Sent: Monday, September 21, 2015 1:07 PM

To: Conley, Azzie

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Subject: Fw: no objections~

Date: Monday, September 21, 2015 7:01:23 PM

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From: Conley, Azzie To:

Pratt, Drexdal
Hospital Checklist Initial Licensure
Friday, September 18, 2015 2:38:00 PM
Hospital Checklist Initial Licensure.doc
2015Hosp App.doc Subject: Date: Attachments:

From: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>

To: <u>Pfeiffer, Nadine</u>; <u>Burgon, Bethany</u>; <u>Lewis, Steven</u>

Subject: RE: Thank you!

Date: Friday, September 18, 2015 12:51:00 PM

Yep!

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From: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Sent: Friday, September 18, 2015 12:49 PM **To:** Burgon, Bethany; Conley, Azzie; Lewis, Steven

Subject: RE: Thank you!

The same to you all. And I found my keys! On the living room chair. Must have dropped them there when I was getting a CD for the car. Guess I had too much on my mind!

From: Burgon, Bethany [mailto:BBurgon@ncdoj.gov]

Sent: Friday, September 18, 2015 12:46 PM **To:** Conley, Azzie; Pfeiffer, Nadine; Lewis, Steven

Subject: RE: Thank you!



Thanks for all your hard work guys. Have a great weekend!

Bethany A. Burgon

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From: Conley, Azzie [mailto:azzie.conley@dhhs.nc.gov]

Sent: Friday, September 18, 2015 12:30 PM

To: Burgon, Bethany; Pfeiffer, Nadine; Lewis, Steven

Subject: RE: Thank you!

Happy Friday!

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Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2015 5:07 PM **To:** Conley, Azzie; Pfeiffer, Nadine; Lewis, Steven

Subject: RE: Thank you!

I agree!

Bethany A. Burgon

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From: Conley, Azzie [mailto:azzie.conley@dhhs.nc.gov]

Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2015 4:52 PM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine; Lewis, Steven; Burgon, Bethany

Subject: RE: Thank you!

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From: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2015 4:48 PM To: Conley, Azzie; Lewis, Steven; Bethany Burgon

Subject: RE: Thank you!

What about this evening?

From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2015 4:42 PM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine; Lewis, Steven; Bethany Burgon

Subject: RE: Thank you!

Thank you! I vote you take Saturday off!

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Subject: Thank you!

Thank you for everything for making these abortion rules happen today. Amber said she would let me know if they received any letters. So far, nothing.

Nadine Pfeiffer

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From: Conley, Azzie

To: Johnson, Linda

Cc: Deporter, Cindy

Subject: ABC data legislation

Date: Friday, September 18, 2015 12:26:00 PM

Linda:

I will be out of the office Monday through Wednesday. I have hospital files in my office that questions have been raised regarding abortion procedures and other items. I have referred a couple folk to you regarding the process to amend data in hospital files. Concerns go as far back as the 2009 LRA data (SMILE).

Lynn will be covering in my absence and available to assist as needed. Thank you.

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 From:
 Conley, Azzie

 To:
 White, Donna

 Subject:
 RE: PPRC

Date: Thursday, September 17, 2015 4:26:00 PM

This was my oversight. I thought you were included in an email. See email I just forwarded.

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From: White, Donna

Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2015 4:18 PM

To: Conley, Azzie **Subject:** RE: PPRC

We missed seeing you today at the PPRC meeting. I hope that you are ok. Please let me know if you would like to be scheduled for the next meeting in October. It will be October 15, 2015.

Thank you, Donna

From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2015 8:53 PM **To:** White, Donna < donna.white@dhhs.nc.gov>

Cc: Freedman, Steve < steve.freedman@dhhs.nc.gov >; Merrill, Suzanne

<suzanne.merrill@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: Re: PPRC

See you in the afternoon. Thank you

From: White, Donna

Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2015 4:08:09 PM

To: Conley, Azzie

Cc: Freedman, Steve; Merrill, Suzanne

Subject: RE: PPRC

Per the previous email we will meet from 10:00- 12:00 and 1:30-3:30 so whenever you can get here will be fine. Our schedule can be flexible as there are many other issues to discuss so just come when you can.

Thanks, Donna

From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2015 2:54 PM **To:** White, Donna < donna.white@dhhs.nc.gov>

Cc: Freedman, Steve < steve.freedman@dhhs.nc.gov>; Merrill, Suzanne

<suzanne.merrill@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: RE: PPRC

Donna:

Amendments to the abortion clinic rules are on the agenda for the RCC September 17, 2015 at 10AM. We have no idea how long I will need to be there. I may be running late.

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Cc: Freedman, Steve < steve.freedman@dhhs.nc.gov>; Merrill, Suzanne

<suzanne.merrill@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: RE: PPRC

I appreciate you allowing the members of the PPRC to give their feedback.

Just let me know what time on September 17th that works best for you. These PPRC meetings have been scheduled a year in advance so it is a little difficult to change them since folks are driving in across the state.

We look forward to you attending the meeting on the 17th.

Thanks so much,

From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2015 1:37 PM **To:** White, Donna < donna.white@dhhs.nc.gov>

Cc: Freedman, Steve < steve.freedman@dhhs.nc.gov>; Merrill, Suzanne

<suzanne.merrill@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: RE: PPRC

I will have to make September 17 work. I have work travel beginning September 20 and do not want to delay or alter your schedule. All of my conversations yesterday were positive. Thank you!

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Cc: Freedman, Steve < steve.freedman@dhhs.nc.gov>; Merrill, Suzanne

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Subject: FW: PPRC

FYI

I just received the email that you sent to Mary Troutman and that you copied me on regarding you getting with me regarding date and time for the next PPRC meeting. The email below was sent to you after the meeting on August 20, 2015.

If you have either of these times available we will be glad to add you to the agenda for September 17, 2015.

Thank you for your willingness to continue to discuss home care licensure rules with the PPRC.

Donna White, RN

Aging and Health Specialist Division of Aging and Adult Services

From: White, Donna

Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2015 4:12 PM

To: Conley, Azzie azzie.conley@dhhs.nc.gov">; Deporter, Cindy cindy.deporter@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: PPRC

Thank you for attending the PPRC meeting today to continue the dialogue regarding "appropriate professional".

I have asked the committee to send their suggestions regarding the "Draft" letter from Mr. Pratt to me and I will compile their remarks and forward them to you for review. I also asked them to go to the DHSR website and make any comments on the rules that are posted for review for home care.

We will meet on the morning of September 17, to further discuss other issues in the standards and if you are available we will appreciate you joining us at 1:30 to hopefully complete the discussion regarding "appropriate professional" for Limited Assistance Aides. If the morning works best for you we can accommodate your schedule. We meet from 10:00 - 11:45 in the am (if we are having guest in the afternoon) but we meet from 10:00 to 12:30 before we break for lunch if we are not having guest in the afternoon.

Thank you again, Donna

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To: White, Donna
Subject: RE: PPRC

Date: Thursday, September 17, 2015 4:21:00 PM

This is interesting.

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Thank you, Donna

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To: White, Donna
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Cc: <u>Ouimet, Cheryl; Pratt, Drexdal</u>

Subject: Re: PPRO

Date: Friday, August 28, 2015 7:06:58 AM

Suzanne

All of my conversations have been extremely positive. I think folk were pleased to receive a follow up call. I will follow up with Cheryl and Drexal on the status of a signed memo. I shared with Donna, I have to attend the RCC meeting the morning of September 17 and plan to attend the afternoon meeting. Thank you!

From: Merrill, Suzanne

Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2015 9:19:04 PM

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Sent from my iPad

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From: <u>Pfeiffer, Nadine</u>
To: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>

Subject: RE: technical changes for AB rules 10A NCAC 14E

Date: Friday, September 11, 2015 8:39:11 AM

Thank you. Just as long as you are there (and with me on Sept. 17th) that is what is important!! Btw-Amber said they have a security plan in place in case of protesters, etc next week. I told her I plan on getting there early, like 8:30 to get a seat and parking spot. The RPC rules are the next thing on the agenda so that is great for me, I won't have to stay too long after your rules. I may just go right there from home since I live so close. No sense coming in the office to turn around and go right there.

From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Friday, September 11, 2015 8:30 AM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine

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Thank you. Also, I will be out of town for work September 20 – 23, 2015.

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Fyi- we are good to go!!!!!!! I will submit the rules to OAH this morning and take them there either this afternoon if the RP rules are finished or first thing Monday on my way to the office.

Thank you for all of your help with this.

Next hurdle will be looking at Joel's response to the comments for RRC.

Nadine

From: May, Amber Cronk

Sent: Thursday, September 10, 2015 7:24 PM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Subject: RE: technical changes for AB rules 10A NCAC 14E

Looks good! Thank you again for working with me on these.

If you wouldn't mind, please send the most recently changed rules to <u>OAH.rules@oah.nc.gov</u>. I was going to go ahead and do it, but I'm afraid of not capturing all of the most recent changes and thought that you probably had a more organized way of doing it. Please copy me on that email.

Also, please get me the hard copies when you have the opportunity. I'm ok with you bringing them whenever you bring over your other set of Rules – no need for you to come over twice, and I will be out of the office tomorrow anyway.

Let me know if you need anything else from me – I will be out of the office tomorrow, but available by email.

Thank you!

Amber

From: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Sent: Thursday, September 10, 2015 5:29 PM **To:** May, Amber Cronk amber.may@oah.nc.gov>

Subject: RE: technical changes for AB rules 10A NCAC 14E

From: May, Amber Cronk

Sent: Thursday, September 10, 2015 3:12 PM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine **Cc:** Conley, Azzie

Subject: RE: technical changes for AB rules 10A NCAC 14E

Thank you guys so much for getting these back to me! I have just a couple of minor things:

10A NCAC 14E .0109

- Please consider something like "pursuant to the applicable rules and statutes" after "unless previously suspended or revoked." Done
- Is there a cross-reference you can provide for the approval process by the Division? It would be great if we could offer some sort of guidance as to how this will be completed. Section makes sure application is filled out in entirety, fee is paid pursuant to statute.

10A NCAC 14E .0111

• In (c), please consider adding a cross-reference to 10A NCAC 14E .0302 to make clear to whom "the person is charge" is referring adding cross reference would add confusion to this rule. The CEO may be the person in charge or may designate someone else to be. The regulated providers understand this term of "person in charge"

10A NCAC 14E .0305

• In (a)(9), please add a comma in between "representative" and "or facility" and in (b) in between "date" and "and time" for purposes of consistency. Done

Just so you know – as I was reading through your technically changed rules, I kept thinking "they (you guys) are so great!" You have no idea how much I appreciate your willingness to work with me on these. Thank you!! Azzie and Nadine

Let us know if there is anything else or if we are "good to go!"

Thank you!

Amber

From: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Sent: Thursday, September 10, 2015 12:48 PM **To:** May, Amber Cronk amber.may@oah.nc.gov">amber.may@oah.nc.gov **Cc:** Conley, Azzie azzie.conley@dhhs.nc.gov

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Hi Amber,

Here are the technical changes for the abortion rules. Please let me know if you have any further questions/concerns. We made no changes to rule .0109 and there were no technical changes requested for rule .0304 so I am not attaching them. I know this is not the naming convention OAH wishes of the files, however I use this for my tracking purposes of the various versions of the rule and where it is in the process. I do not want to rewrite over the versions of the rules. I will be happy to submit the final versions with the requested naming convention.

Also, to let you know, we will be meeting with the Assistant Legal Counsel to the Dept this afternoon to develop a response to the comments and submit to the Commission.

Enjoy!

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Subject: RE: Abortion clinic certification rules

Date: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 11:54:35 AM

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To: May, Amber Cronk <amber may@oah.nc.gov>

Subject: Abortion clinic certification rules

September 7, 2015 Via electronic mail Rules Review Commission Members Office of Administrative Hearings – Rules Division Attn: Amber May, Commission Counsel Amber.may@oah.nc.gov

Dear Chairman Dunklin and Members of the Commission,

I write to comment on one point in the proposed rules change. As background, I have been a gynecologist for more than 4 decades, and I was a member of the advisory committee that met with Ms. Conley and other staff of DHHS when these rule changes were being considered. One ambiguity needs to be resolved before the proposed rules go forward.

Section 10A NCAC 14E .0311(a) of the proposed rules is unclear and ambiguous as currently written. The proposed rules change the language in section 10A NCAC 14E .0311(a) to read, "The procedure room shall be maintained exclusively for abortion procedures . . ." from the original language, which read "The operating room shall be maintained exclusively for surgical procedures" I believe this change was made merely to conform the terminology used here with that used throughout the regulation. Although it appears at first glance that these changes are slight, this may result in significant ambiguity in the rule's interpretation. I believe the sentence should be deleted altogether.

On days of the week when a clinic procedure room is not being used for abortion, it should be able to be used for other medical purposes. These could include performing vaginal ultrasound examinations, doing IUD and Nexplanon insertions, and endometrial biopsies. There is no valid medical reason to leave a room vacant and unused for other gynecological procedures. This restriction has no medical justification. Moreover, this is not the standard of care in hospital operating rooms, which are used for many types of procedures.

If you have any questions about my comments, please let me know. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

David A. Grimes, MD, FACOG, FACPM PO Box 1972 Carolina Beach, NC28428

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From: Ouimet, Cheryl

To: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>; <u>Pratt, Drexdal</u>

Cc: <u>Christian, Patsy</u>
Subject: RE: Abortion data

Date: Wednesday, September 02, 2015 8:49:17 AM

Ok. Thanks

Cheryl Ouimet, MSW

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From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Wednesday, September 02, 2015 8:47 AM

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Cc: Christian, Patsy <patsy.christian@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: RE: Abortion data

The meeting has been rescheduled to 9/8. Also, no clinic has disputed our number of procedures reported in the LRA. It looks like health stat forms are missing.

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Subject: RE: Abortion data

Morning Azzie,

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Subject: Abortion data

The meeting is today with Dr. Williams and others at 2:00pm in 116 Adams Building. Does anyone plan to attend? Thank you.

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To: <u>Ouimet, Cheryl; Pratt, Drexdal</u>

Cc: <u>Christian, Patsy</u>
Subject: RE: Abortion data

Date: Wednesday, September 02, 2015 8:41:00 AM

No. I wanted to make sure you at least knew the meeting was today.

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From: <u>Pfeiffer, Nadine</u>
To: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>

Subject: FW: Certification of Abortion Clinic Regulations

Date: Tuesday, August 18, 2015 12:09:28 PM

fyi

From: Rulescoordinator, Dhsr

Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2015 12:09 PM

To: 'Melissa Reed'

Subject: RE: Certification of Abortion Clinic Regulations

Good Morning Ms. Reed,

These changes, made in response to public comments submitted and Session Law 2015-62, were posted on the DHSR website on July 22, 2015. The public comment period for these rules ended on January 30, 2015. In accordance with G.S. 150B 21.3(b2), anyone filing an objection to these rules would do so with the Rules Review Commission, not us, and would need to do so after the Commission approves the rules (by 5:00pm the day after they approve the rules). The Commission has not approved the rules yet. They are scheduled to be discussed at their meeting in September. I am attaching a link to the Office of Administrative Hearings website, where you can get information about the Rules Review Commission and their meetings: http://www.oah.state.nc.us/rules/

Regards, Nadine Pfeiffer DHSR Rules Review Manager

From: Melissa Reed [mailto:melissa.reed@ppsat.org]

Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2015 10:09 AM

To: Rulescoordinator, Dhsr

Subject: Certification of Abortion Clinic Regulations

Good Morning,

I see that the Revised Rules have been posted on the website. Can you please tell me when these revised rules were posted? Also, can you tell me whether or not you have received any objections and whether or not the Commission has approved the rule?

Thank you so much.

Melissa

• Procedure for subjecting a proposed rule to Legislative Review: If an objection is not resolved prior to the adoption of the rule, a person may also submit written objections to the Rules Review Commission. If the Rules Review Commission receives written

150B-21.3(b1) . The Commission will receive written objections until
5:00 p.m. on the day following the day the Commission approves the rule. The
Commission will receive those objections by mail, delivery service, hand delivery, or
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or more persons clearly requesting review by the legislature and the Rules Review Commission approves the rule, the rule will become effective as provided in <u>G.S.</u>

From: Conley, Azzie
To: Pfeiffer, Nadine
Subject: Re: rules

Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2015 1:54:45 PM

Ok

From: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2015 9:20:59 AM

To: Conley, Azzie **Subject:** RE: rules

Ok. Will add

From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2015 6:29 PM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine **Subject:** Re: rules

GS 14-45

From: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2015 11:17:22 AM

To: Conley, Azzie **Subject:** RE: rules

Azzie

Which one do you want on the history note? The SL or the new GS 14-45.1?

Nadine

From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2015 5:06 AM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine **Subject:** Re: rules

We need to add the new history note. Thank you

From: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Sent: Monday, July 13, 2015 10:21:00 AM

To: Conley, Azzie **Subject:** rules

Good morning Azzie,

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 From:
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 To:
 Conley, Azzie

 Subject:
 rules

 Date:
 Monday, July 13, 2015 10:21:05 AM

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From: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>

To: <u>Jones-vessey, Kathleen</u>

Subject: FW:

Date: Wednesday, August 12, 2015 3:10:00 PM

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From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2015 2:41 PM

To: McKillip, Matthew <Matt.McKillip@dhhs.nc.gov>; Dr. Randall Williams

<Randall.Williams@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: RE:

2013: our LRA totals 29,536 for combined medical and surgical procedures 2015: LRAs report 28,354 for combined medical and surgical procedures.

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From: McKillip, Matthew

Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2015 1:54 PM

To: Dr. Randall Williams < <u>Randall.Williams@dhhs.nc.gov</u>>; Conley, Azzie

<azzie.conley@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: RE:

I think it's worth doing a deeper dive on these two data sources (Randall's 2013 and the licensure renewal route) to make sure we are talking apples to apples.

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From: Dr. Randall Williams

Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2015 12:45 PM **To:** Conley, Azzie; McKillip, Matthew

Subject: RE:

Thank you and that is a big increase from 2013 data. This trend is concerning. Randall

From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2015 8:59 AM

To: McKillip, Matthew **Cc:** Dr. Randall Williams

Subject: RE:

I did not give Dr. Williams total abortion procedures. I provided total of 16 licensed clinics. 5 are under PPH. One opened in 2015.

Based on the 2015 licensure renewal applications, the combined total of medical and surgical procedures was 28,354. PPH reported 6161 for their facilities.

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From: McKillip, Matthew

Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2015 8:46 AM

To: Conley, Azzie <azzie.conley@dhhs.nc.gov>

Cc: Dr. Randall Williams < Randall.Williams@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject:

Azzie, can you share the total abortions provided by clinic based on your recent count with Dr. Williams and the time frame? He had a different figure from a couple years back.

Best, Matt

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From: Pfeiffer, Nadine
To: Conley, Azzie
Cc: Pratt, Drexdal

 Subject:
 FW: Comment for section 10A NCAC 14E .0311

 Date:
 Tuesday, September 08, 2015 10:54:42 AM

 Attachments:
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Provider Comment MLZ 9.7.15.docx

Fyi, additional comment RRC received for AB rule.

From: May, Amber Cronk

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 9:40 AM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Subject: FW: Comment for section 10A NCAC 14E .0311

Same with this one.

From: MATTHEW ZERDEN [mailto:MZERDEN@wakemed.org]

Sent: Monday, September 07, 2015 10:41 PM **To:** May, Amber Cronk amber.may@oah.nc.gov **Subject:** Comment for section 10A NCAC 14E .0311

Hi,

Please see the attached letter.

Thank you for your consideration. Please let me know if you have any additional questions,

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 To:
 Conley, Azzie

 Cc:
 Pratt, Drexdal

Subject: FW: Comment on Rules Filed by DHHS

Date: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 11:05:50 AM

Attachments: NARAL Comment on DHHS Rules.pdf

Fyi, another comment from RRC on the AB rule.

From: May, Amber Cronk

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 11:04 AM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Subject: FW: Comment on Rules Filed by DHHS

From: Chavi Koneru [mailto:chavi@prochoicenc.org]

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 11:02 AM **To:** May, Amber Cronk amber.may@oah.nc.gov>

Subject: Comment on Rules Filed by DHHS

Hi Amber,

I got your contact information from Susanna Birdsong at the ACLU.

I am attaching a comment letter that I would like to submit, on behalf of NARAL, relating to the rules filed by DHHS. There are a couple of others who are also submitting letters (or may have already). I just wanted to make sure that it was alright to send you our comments and that you would be willing to share them with all the Commissioners. Please let me know if we should be sending this information to someone else.

Thanks for your help,

Chavi

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Subject: FW: Comments on Rules for abortion clinics

Date: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 5:13:35 PM

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Provider Comments for Rules Commission- Bryant.docx

Fyi, another comment submitted to the RRC on the abortion rules. This is the same comment like the others submitted.

From: May, Amber Cronk

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 5:04 PM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Subject: FW: Comments on Rules for abortion clinics

From: Bryant, Amy [mailto:amy bryant@med.unc.edu]

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 4:36 PM

To: May, Amber Cronk <amber.may@oah.nc.gov> **Subject:** Comments on Rules for abortion clinics

Dear Ms. May,

Please see below my concerns regarding proposed rules on certifications of clinics for abortion. These comments are also attached here.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Amy Bryant

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September 8, 2015

Via electronic mail

Rules Review Commission Members Office of Administrative Hearings – Rules Division Attn: Amber May, Commission Counsel Amber.may@oah.nc.gov

Dear Chairman Dunklin and Members of the Commission,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments related to the proposed rules on certifications of clinics for abortion.

The rules proposed by the Department of Health and Human Services were written with extensive input from doctors, health care professionals and reproductive health experts and rely on evidencebased medicine. As an obstetrician/gynecologist, I am committed to ensuring that the rules, as written, are clear and unambiguous for the providers to whom they apply. Misunderstandings about rules could make it difficult to care for patients in the safest and most appropriate ways.

I am specifically concerned that section 10A NCAC 14E .0311(a) of the proposed rules is unclear and ambiguous as currently written. The proposed rules change the language in section 10A NCAC 14E .0311(a) to read, "The procedure room shall be maintained exclusively for abortion procedures. .." from the original language, which read "The operating room shall be maintained exclusively for surgical procedures " It is my understanding that this change was made merely to conform the terminology used here with that used throughout the regulation. Although it appears at first glance that these changes are slight, I believe that they result in significant ambiguity in the rule's interpretation. Should this section be read to mean that only procedure rooms that are maintained exclusively for abortion procedures be subject to these rules? Or does it mean that procedure rooms in clinics that provide abortions must be maintained exclusively for abortion procedures, and can therefore no longer be used for other reproductive health care services, such as colposcopy, cyst drainage, endometrial biopsy, or management of spontaneous miscarriage?

I am concerned that this seemingly innocuous change in terminology will be confusing for those tasked with implementing these regulatory changes, and so I respectfully suggest a simple edit to this sentence to clarify its meaning.

Recommendation: Amend section 10A NCAC 14E .0311(a) to make it clear that the rule applies to all procedure rooms in clinics that provide abortions, regardless of whether those rooms are maintained exclusively for abortion procedures. Revised language should read as follows:

"The <u>procedure</u> room shall be maintained exclusively for <u>surgical</u> procedures . . ."

As this Commission recognizes, including on its website, "Words, terms or requirements that on their face may appear to be clear, start to become ambiguous when they must be put into practice." We hope that this information is helpful to the Commission as it finalizes these important regulations.

Thank you for your time and consideration of our concerns. If you have any questions or need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Any By I

Amy Bryant, MD, MSCR | Assistant Professor

University of North Carolina School of Medicine

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 From:
 Pfeiffer, Nadine

 To:
 Conley, Azzie

 Cc:
 Pratt, Drexdal

Subject: FW: Comments on the Proposed Amendments Regarding the Licensing of Abortion Facilities

Date: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 5:17:39 PM

Attachments: RRC comments 2015 FINAL.pdf

Fyi, these are additional comments submitted to the RRC on the abortion rules. Please note: These are different comments than what has been submitted in the prior comments.

From: May, Amber Cronk

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 5:06 PM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Subject: FW: Comments on the Proposed Amendments Regarding the Licensing of Abortion Facilities

These are different comments.

From: Heather Shumaker [mailto:hshumaker@prochoice.org]

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 5:00 PM

Subject: Comments on the Proposed Amendments Regarding the Licensing of Abortion Facilities

Dear Rules Review Commission Staff,

Please find attached written comments on the proposed amendments regarding the licensing of abortion facilities. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Best Regards,

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 To:
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 Subject:
 FW: Comments to Abortion Facility Regulations

 Date:
 Tuesday, September 08, 2015 5:12:44 PM

 Attachments:
 Rules Review Commission Comments.pdf

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To: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Subject: FW: Comments to Abortion Facility Regulations

From: Melissa Reed [mailto:melissa.reed@ppsat.org]

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 4:11 PM

To: May, Amber Cronk **Subject:** Comments to Abortion Facility Regulations

Hello,

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Respectfully,

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 From:
 Pfeiffer, Nadine

 To:
 Conley, Azzie

 Cc:
 Pratt, Drexdal

 Subject:
 FW: DHHS rules

Date: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 5:14:38 PM

Fyi, this is another comment submitted to RRC on the abortion rules. This is the same comment like the others submitted.

From: May, Amber Cronk

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 5:06 PM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine **Subject:** FW: DHHS rules

From: Dr Liz Deans, M.D. [mailto:elizabeth.i.deans@duke.edu]

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 4:06 PM

To: May, Amber Cronk <amber.may@oah.nc.gov>

Subject: DHHS rules

Rules Review Commission Members Office of Administrative Hearings – Rules Division

Attn: Amber May, Commission Counsel

Amber.may@oah.nc.gov

Dear Chairman Dunklin and Members of the Commission,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments related to the proposed rules on certifications of clinics for abortion.

The rules proposed by the Department of Health and Human Services were written with extensive input from doctors, health care professionals and reproductive health experts and rely on evidence-based medicine. As a obstetrician/gynecologist I am committed to ensuring that the rules, as written, are clear and unambiguous for the providers to whom they apply. It is important for me to ensure that rules do not detract from care of patients or limit the care we as clinicians can provide.

We are specifically concerned that section 10A NCAC 14E .0311(a) of the proposed rules is unclear and ambiguous as currently written. The proposed rules change the language in section 10A NCAC 14E .0311(a) to read, "The procedure room shall be maintained exclusively for abortion procedures . . ." from the original language, which read "The operating room shall be maintained exclusively for surgical procedures" It is our understanding that this change was made merely to conform the terminology used here with that used throughout the regulation. Although it appears at first glance that these changes are slight, we believe that they result in significant ambiguity in the rule's interpretation. Should this section be read to

mean that only procedure rooms that are maintained exclusively for abortion procedures be subject to these rules? Or does it mean that procedure rooms in clinics that provide abortions must be maintained exclusively for abortion procedures, and can therefore no longer be used for other reproductive health care services, such as colposcopy, cyst drainage, endometrial biopsy, or management of spontaneous miscarriage?

We are concerned that this seemingly innocuous change in terminology will be confusing for those tasked with implementing these regulatory changes, and so we respectfully suggest a simple edit to this sentence to clarify its meaning.

Recommendation: Amend section 10A NCAC 14E .0311(a) to make it clear that the rule applies to all procedure rooms in clinics that provide abortions, regardless of whether those rooms are maintained exclusively for abortion procedures. Revised language should read as follows:

"The <u>procedure</u> room shall be maintained exclusively for abortion <u>surgical</u> procedures . . ."

As this Commission recognizes, including on its website, "Words, terms or requirements that on their face may appear to be clear, start to become ambiguous when they must be put into practice." We hope that this information is helpful to the Commission as it finalizes these important regulations.

Thank you for your time and consideration of our concerns. If you have any questions or need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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 To:
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Subject: FW: Office of Administrative Hearings – Rules Division -- proposed rules for abortion providers

Date: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 1:23:09 PM

Fyi, another comment on the abortion rule to the RRC.

From: May, Amber Cronk

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 1:22 PM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Subject: FW: Office of Administrative Hearings – Rules Division -- proposed rules for abortion

providers

From: Dr Beverly Gray, M.D. [mailto:beverly.gray@duke.edu]

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 1:11 PM **To:** May, Amber Cronk amber.may@oah.nc.gov

Subject: Office of Administrative Hearings – Rules Division -- proposed rules for abortion providers

Rules Review Commission Members

Office of Administrative Hearings – Rules Division Attn: Amber May, Commission Counsel <u>Amber.may@oah.nc.gov</u>

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The rules proposed by the Department of Health and Human Services were written with extensive input from doctors, health care professionals and reproductive health experts and rely on evidence-based medicine. As an obstetrician/gynecologist at Duke University Medical Center, I am committed to ensuring that the rules, as written, are clear and unambiguous for the providers to whom they apply. As an obstetrician/gynecologist at Duke University Medical Center, I provide care for patients who experience pregnancy loss and also seek care for abortion. In our facility we provide an excellent standard of care for all of our patients.

We are specifically concerned that section 10A NCAC 14E .0311(a) of the proposed rules is unclear and ambiguous as currently written. The proposed rules change the language in section 10A NCAC 14E .0311(a) to read, "The <u>procedure</u> room shall be maintained exclusively for <u>abortion</u> procedures . . ." from the original language, which read "The <u>operating</u> room shall be maintained exclusively for <u>surgical</u> procedures" It is our understanding that this change was made merely to conform the terminology used here with that used throughout the

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We are concerned that this seemingly innocuous change in terminology will be confusing for those tasked with implementing these regulatory changes, and so we respectfully suggest a simple edit to this sentence to clarify its meaning.

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Thank you for your time and consideration of our concerns. If you have any questions or need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Take care,

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 From:
 Pfeiffer, Nadine

 To:
 Conley, Azzie

 Cc:
 Pratt, Drexdal

Subject: FW: Regulations for abortion clinics

Date: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 10:55:24 AM

Fyi, additional comment RRC received for AB rule.

From: May, Amber Cronk

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 10:35 AM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Subject: FW: Regulations for abortion clinics

From: amy alspaugh [mailto:amyalspaugh@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 10:33 AM **To:** May, Amber Cronk amber.may@oah.nc.gov

Subject: Regulations for abortion clinics

09/08/2015

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Attn: Amber May, Commission Counsel

Amber.may@oah.nc.gov

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We are specifically concerned that section 10A NCAC 14E .0311(a) of the proposed rules is unclear and ambiguous as currently written. The proposed rules change the language in section 10A NCAC 14E .0311(a) to read, "The <u>procedure</u> room shall be maintained exclusively for <u>abortion</u> procedures . . ." from the original language, which read "The <u>operating</u> room shall be maintained exclusively for <u>surgical</u> procedures . . ." It is our understanding that this change was made merely to conform the terminology used here with that used throughout the regulation. Although it appears at first glance that these changes are slight, we believe that they result in significant ambiguity in the rule's interpretation. Should this section be read to mean that only procedure rooms that are maintained exclusively for abortion procedures be subject to these rules? Or does it mean that procedure rooms in clinics that provide abortions

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Thank you for your time and consideration of our concerns. If you have any questions or need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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From: Rulescoordinator, Dhsr

To: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>
Cc: <u>Pratt, Drexdal</u>

Subject: FW: Rules Review Commission Review of Amendments to 10A NCAC 14E

Date: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 2:56:18 PM

Attachments: <u>image001.png</u>

Center for Reproductive Rights Comments Re Amendments to 10A NCAC 14E.pdf

This abortion rules comment was also sent to the Rules Coordinator email address.

From: Genevieve Scott [mailto:gscott@reprorights.org]

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 2:01 PM

To: May, Amber Cronk **Cc:** Rulescoordinator, Dhsr

Subject: Rules Review Commission Review of Amendments to 10A NCAC 14E

Dear Ms. May,

The Center for Reproductive Rights submits the attached comments to the Rules Review Commission in response to the proposed amendments to 10A NCAC 14E, Certifications of Clinics for Abortion, pursuant to 26 NCAC 05.0103. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Best regards,

Genevieve Scott



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From: Pfeiffer, Nadine
To: Conley, Azzie
Cc: Pratt, Drexdal
Subject: FW: Some notes

Date: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 5:45:30 PM
Attachments: TechChqReq AB Rules Response 9-15-2.docx

RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0306-1.doc

Azzie,

Margaret Currin, one of the RRC Commissioners (used to be the Chairman) has some additional questions regarding the abortion rules. We will have to respond to these additional questions like they are technical changes/requests. I have added them to the technical change document under each rule and attempted to respond to them. Please review, make sure what I added was correct and add if needed. I am attaching a revised technical change response document and also a revised .0306 since I made a change to that rule. I also put these documents in the drop box if it is easier for you to find them there.

This seems like it never ends, does it?

Thanks.

Nadine

From: May, Amber Cronk

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 5:08 PM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine **Subject:** FW: Some notes

Hi Nadine,

I haven't had an opportunity to review these yet, but please see the additional comments from Commissioner Currin.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need any additional assistance.

Thank you,

Amber

From: Currin, Margaret P. [mailto:currinm@campbell.edu]

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 4:00 PM

To: May, Amber Cronk amber.may@oah.nc.gov">amber.may@oah.nc.gov

Subject: Some notes

Hi, Amber. A few questions (some for my own edification) on the HHS-DHS Regs.

10A NCAC 14E .0111

Line 14—"shall be considered"—Considered for what? I assume this is saying that an inspection shall be <u>conducted</u> whenever its purpose is to determine whether the clinic is compliance with the rules . . . or whenever there is reason to believe that it isn't.

Lines 19 and 20—I assume that "within 10 business days of receipt" is days of receipt of the notification of the deficiencies. Would including clarification of receipt of what help?

10A NCAC 14E .0306 Line 4—"must" or "shall"? Line 17—"that" instead of "which"

10A NCAC 14E .0307

- (c)—What is an "adequate number"? How is it determined?
- (d)—At least one RN? I guess when (c) and (d) are read together, additional meaning is provided?

10A NCAC 14E .0310

(c)—The clinic has to have a written agreement with a nearby hospital to transfer emergency cases. But if they've tried to contract with such a facility and have failed, they are still in compliance???????

MPC

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To: <u>Pfeiffer, Nadine</u>

Subject: FW: TechChgReq AB Rules Response 9-15-1.docx

Date: Friday, September 04, 2015 3:57:00 PM
Attachments: TechChqReq AB Rules Response 9-15-1.docx

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Sent: Friday, September 04, 2015 3:57 PM **To:** Conley, Azzie <azzie.conley@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: TechChgReq AB Rules Response 9-15-1.docx

Azzie, all my comments are in GREEN. If you have questions email me. I will be out of the office on Tuesday but I can answer anything you need by email.

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From: Conley, Azzie
To: Azzie-Home

Subject: Fw: ABC Public Comments final.xlsx

Date: Thursday, July 16, 2015 7:47:26 AM

Attachments: ABC Public Comments final.xlsx

From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Monday, March 23, 2015 2:35:12 PM

To: Conley, Azzie **Cc:** Conley, Azzie

Subject: ABC Public Comments final.xlsx

Good afternoon:

I have attached comments received on the proposed draft abortion clinic rules. Please review and forward me your comments. I am proposing a time to meet and and discuss the week of April 13, 2015 or April 20, 2015. Please let me know your preferred week. Thank you for your feedback!

From: <u>Conley, Azzie</u> on behalf of <u>Stanford, Jodi E</u>

To: Yakaboski, Greg; Frisone, Martha; Dickson, Tom E; Brown, Elizabeth; Bennett, Paige; Craddock, Amy D; Mclamb,

Sandra; Pittman, Lisa; Conley, Azzie; Johnson, Linda; Pfeiffer, Nadine; Carraway, Shelley

Subject: Fw: Hospital LRA - Review

Attachments: 2015 apphl hldata - Final - Blank Copy.doc

2015 apphl nhlsupp Blank [hlnhdata] - Final .doc

2015 apphl cover ltr [hlnhsupp].doc 2015 apphl cover ltr [hlonly].doc 2015 AS APP Blank Final.doc 2015 AS Transmittal Memo .DOC

Patsy

These meetings are more productive when planning staff have reviewed the applications and identified critical changes. It is non

From: Conley, Azzie on behalf of Stanford, Jodi E Sent: Tuesday, July 21, 2015 5:16:40 PM To: Yakaboski, Greg; Frisone, Martha Subject: Fw: Hospital LRA - Review

When: Tuesday, August 18, 2015 11:00 AM-12:00 PM. Where: DHHS_DHSR EDGERTON CONF RM 204

I really think Planning and CON staff should determine their critical amendments prior to a meeting with Acute.

From: Stanford, Jodi E Sent: Tuesday, July 21, 2015 4:17:48 PM

To: Yakaboski, Greg; Dickson, Tom E; Brown, Elizabeth; Bennett, Paige; Craddock, Amy D; Mclamb, Sandra; Frisone, Martha; Pittman, Lisa;

Conley, Azzie; Johnson, Linda; Pfeiffer, Nadine; Carraway, Shelley

Subject: Hospital LRA - Review

When: Tuesday, August 18, 2015 11:00 AM-12:00 PM. Where: DHHS_DHSR EDGERTON CONF RM 204

We will add Amsu's to this meeting.

We need to reschedule for Planning to be able to attend.

If we forgot to include anyone please let us know.

Jodi & Sandra

From: Conley, Azzie
To: Jones, Starlene

Subject:Hospital Checklist Initial LicensureDate:Tuesday, August 25, 2015 5:05:00 PMAttachments:Hospital Checklist Initial Licensure.doc

From: Pfeiffer, Nadine
To: Dr. Randall Williams
Cc: Pratt, Drexdal; Conley, Azzie
Subject: Proposed Abortion Rules

 Date:
 Thursday, July 16, 2015 9:29:41 AM

 Attachments:
 RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0101-1.doc

RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0104.doc RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0109.doc RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0111-1.doc RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0201.doc RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0202.doc RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0206.doc RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0207.doc RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0302.doc Form0400PermRule 14E .0303.docx Form0400PermRule 14E .0304.docx Form0400PermRule 14E .0305.docx Form0400PermRule 14E .0306.docx Form0400PermRule 14E .0307.docx Form0400PermRule 14E .0308.docx Form0400PermRule 14E .0309.docx Form0400PermRule 14E .0310.docx Form0400PermRule 14E .0311.docx Form0400PermRule 14E .0313.docx Form0400PermRule 14E .0315.docx

Dr. Williams,

Drexdal Pratt asked me to send you the proposed Abortion rules that we are intending to adopt and submit to the Rules Review Commission next week for their September 17th meeting. The proposed effective date of these rules is October 1, 2015. These rules were developed with a committee that consisted of certified abortion clinic representatives, physicians, professional licensing agencies, the public and DHSR staff. Following the public hearing and public comment period on these rules, we received 1400 comments on these rules. We have made some changes to the original text of the rules based on SL 2015-62 that addressed the negative comments, such as not allowing someone under 18 work in a clinic and requiring annual inspections of the clinics. If you would like to see a spreadsheet of the all the comments, I would be happy to send that to you.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you.

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From: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>
To: <u>Stanford, Jodi E</u>

Subject: RE: Abortion LRA - updated

Date: Wednesday, September 02, 2015 2:17:00 PM

This is perfect. I meant to ask you for an application for a meeting today at 2. The meeting was changed to 9/8. Thank you!

Azzie Y. Conley, RN
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From: Stanford, Jodi E

Sent: Wednesday, September 02, 2015 1:33 PM **To:** Conley, Azzie <azzie.conley@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: Abortion LRA - updated

Please let me know if anything needs changed.

Thanks, Jodi

Jodi Stanford

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From: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>

To: Sholar, Adam; Goodman, Jesse

Cc: <u>Pratt, Drexdal</u>

Subject: RE: Abortion clinic rules

Date: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 3:02:00 PM

If no objections October 1, 2015.

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----Original Message-----
From: Sholar, Adam
Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 3:00 PM
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Cc: Conley, Azzie <azzie.conley@dhhs nc.gov>; Pratt, Drexdal <drexdal.pratt@dhhs.nc.gov>
Subject: Re: Abortion clinic rules
When are they scheduled to be effective?
Sent from my iPhone
> On Sep 8, 2015, at 2:55 PM, Goodman, Jesse <jesse.goodman@dhhs.nc.gov> wrote:
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> Rules are scheduled to go to Rules Review Commission on Sept. 17th. Comment period ends today.
> -----Original Message-----
> From: Sholar, Adam
> Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 2:41 PM
> To: Goodman, Jesse < jesse.goodman@dhhs.nc.gov>
> Subject: Abortion clinic rules
> Where are they in process?
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From: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>

To: <u>McKillip, Matthew; Pratt, Drexdal</u>

Subject: RE: clinics

Date: Thursday, August 06, 2015 9:49:00 AM

There is currently 16 licensed ABCs.

Planned Parenthood Asheville opened March 24, 2015 North Durham Women's Health opened June 12, 2015

Please let me know if you need more information.

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From: McKillip, Matthew

Sent: Thursday, August 06, 2015 8:37 AM

To: Conley, Azzie <azzie.conley@dhhs.nc.gov>; Pratt, Drexdal <drexdal.pratt@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: clinics

Azzie,

I found this in some older materials you pulled together with Kevin Howell in 2014. Is this still accurate?

Best,

Matt

There are 14 certified abortion clinics in North Carolina:

Facility Name - Abortions Clinics	Orig. Date of Licensure
A Preferred Women's Health Raleigh	1/1/1999
A Preferred Women's Health Charlotte	8/3/1999
A Woman's Choice of Raleigh	8/20/1993
Carolinas Women's Clinic Charlotte (Carolina Center for	8/17/1984
Women)	
Crist Clinic for Women Jacksonville	12/8/1997

Easton OB/GYN Chapel Hill	6/15/1989
Family Reproductive Health Charlotte	12/22/1992
Hallmark Women's Clinic Fayetteville	1/28/1980
Piedmont Carolina Medical Clinic Greensboro	7/28/1977
Planned Parenthood Fayetteville	1/14/2012
Planned Parenthood Central NC Chapel Hill	10/20/1998
Planned Parenthood Wilmington	1/17/1986
Planned Parenthood Winston Salem	5/7/1974
Women's Health Alliance Chapel Hill	11/29/1993

Planned Parenthood is currently seeking certification to provide abortions in Asheville.
 Another facility is currently seeking certification in Durham. (This would bring the total to 16.)

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From: Conley, Azzie
To: Christian, Patsy
Subject: Re: Abortion questions

Date: Thursday, July 16, 2015 7:37:03 AM

We talked. He called me at 7:13AM.

From: Christian, Patsy

Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2015 4:42:58 PM

To: Conley, Azzie

Subject: RE: Abortion questions

Thanks Azzie

From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2015 1:47 PM

To: Christian, Patsy

Subject: Re: Abortion questions

I just left a voice message.

From: Christian, Patsy

Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2015 10:27:46 AM

To: Conley, Azzie

Subject: Abortion questions

Hi Azzie—hope that you are having a great week off. Dr. Randall Williams, Deputy Secretary for Health Services asked Drexdal if you would give him a call re: some questions he has about abortion clinics. He works with the Secretary and has been advising her on the abortion rules, issues, etc. I called him to let him know that you are on vacation and he said it would be ok to talk with you early next week. I know that you are going to be busy when you get back but please give him a call when you can. His cell is 919-413-7791. Let me know when you do.

HAPPY EARLY BIRTHDAY!!!!

From: Conley, Azzie
To: Pfeiffer, Nadine
Subject: Re: adoption approval

Date: Monday, July 20, 2015 6:47:53 PM

Thank you

From: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Sent: Monday, July 20, 2015 5:05:24 PM

To: Conley, Azzie

Subject: adoption approval

Azzie,

The abortion rules have been adopted by Drexdal. See attached. I will work on the paperwork for submitting the rules to the RRC. The deadline is 8/20/15, but my target is sometime this week so they don't sit on my desk.

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 From:
 Pfeiffer, Nadine

 To:
 May, Amber Cronk

 Cc:
 Conley, Azzie

Subject: Re: technical changes for AB rules 10A NCAC 14E

Date: Thursday, September 10, 2015 9:27:28 PM

Thank you Amber! I will probably just email them to you all tomorrow and then bring the hard copies later on with the RP rules. Thank you for all of your assistance.

Nadine

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 10, 2015, at 7:23 PM, May, Amber Cronk amber.may@oah.nc.gov> wrote:

Looks good! Thank you again for working with me on these.

If you wouldn't mind, please send the most recently changed rules to OAH.rules@oah.nc.gov. I was going to go ahead and do it, but I'm afraid of not capturing all of the most recent changes and thought that you probably had a more organized way of doing it. Please copy me on that email.

Also, please get me the hard copies when you have the opportunity. I'm ok with you bringing them whenever you bring over your other set of Rules – no need for you to come over twice, and I will be out of the office tomorrow anyway.

Let me know if you need anything else from me – I will be out of the office tomorrow, but available by email.

Thank you!

Amber

From: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Sent: Thursday, September 10, 2015 5:29 PM **To:** May, Amber Cronk amber.may@oah.nc.gov

Subject: RE: technical changes for AB rules 10A NCAC 14E

From: May, Amber Cronk

Sent: Thursday, September 10, 2015 3:12 PM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine **Cc:** Conley, Azzie

Subject: RE: technical changes for AB rules 10A NCAC 14E

Thank you guys so much for getting these back to me! I have just a couple of minor

things:

10A NCAC 14E .0109

- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->Please consider something like "pursuant to the applicable rules and statutes" after "unless previously suspended or revoked." Done
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->Is there a cross-reference you can provide for the approval process by the Division? It would be great if we could offer some sort of guidance as to how this will be completed. Section makes sure application is filled out in entirety, fee is paid pursuant to statute.

10A NCAC 14E .0111

<!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->In (c), please consider adding a cross-reference to 10A NCAC 14E .0302 to make clear to whom "the person is charge" is referring adding cross reference would add confusion to this rule. The CEO may be the person in charge or may designate someone else to be. The regulated providers understand this term of "person in charge"

10A NCAC 14E .0305

<!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]--> In (a)(9), please add a comma in between "representative" and "or facility" and in (b) in between "date" and "and time" for purposes of consistency. Done

Just so you know — as I was reading through your technically changed rules, I kept thinking "they (you guys) are so great!" You have no idea how much I appreciate your willingness to work with me on these. Thank you!! Azzie and Nadine

Let us know if there is anything else or if we are "good to go!"

Thank you!

Amber

From: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Sent: Thursday, September 10, 2015 12:48 PMTo: May, Amber Cronk <amber.may@oah.nc.gov>Cc: Conley, Azzie <azzie.conley@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: technical changes for AB rules 10A NCAC 14E

Hi Amber.

Here are the technical changes for the abortion rules. Please let me know if you have any further questions/concerns. We made no changes to rule .0109 and there were no technical changes requested for rule .0304 so I am not attaching them. I know this is not the naming convention OAH wishes of the files, however I use this for my tracking purposes of the

various versions of the rule and where it is in the process. I do not want to rewrite over the versions of the rules. I will be happy to submit the final versions with the requested naming convention.

Also, to let you know, we will be meeting with the Assistant Legal Counsel to the Dept this afternoon to develop a response to the comments and submit to the Commission.

Enjoy!

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From: Conley, Azzie
To: Lewis, Steven

Subject:TechChgReq AB Rules Response 9-15-1Date:Friday, September 04, 2015 11:54:00 AMAttachments:TechChgReq AB Rules Response 9-15-1.docx

See the following. We need your feedback! Thank you

0104

0109

0201

0206

From: Conley, Azzie To:

Pfeiffer, Nadine
TechChgReq AB Rules Response 9-15-3
Thursday, September 10, 2015 11:14:00 AM Subject: Date: Attachments: TechChgReq AB Rules Response 9-15-3.docx From: May, Amber Cronk
To: Pfeiffer, Nadine
Cc: Conley, Azzie

Subject: Technical Change Requests

Date: Friday, August 28, 2015 12:03:42 PM

Attachments: DHHS- DHSR Technical Changes September 2015.docx

Hi Nadine,

I hope that all is well. Please find attached technical change requests for the Rule submitted for RRC review at their September 17, 2015 meeting.

As always, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns with any of my requests.

Thank you,

Amber Cronk May Rules Review Commission Counsel Office of Administrative Hearings – Rules Division 919-431-3074

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From: Avery, Matt

To: <u>DHHS.SCHSSASUsers</u>

Subject: [SCHSSASUsers] 2014 Vital Statistics Data Files

Date: Tuesday, August 25, 2015 9:56:05 AM

Attachments: 2014 VITAL EVENTS.xls

ATT00001.txt

VITAL STATISTICS STATISTICIANS AND DATA USERS:

The 2014 Vital Statistics files (detail and stat) are now available for analysis on the mainframe and the stat files are also available on the server. An Excel file is attached with the file names and record counts (2014 VITAL EVENTS.xls). The pregnancy and abortion files are still being processed; I will send an e-mail notification when they are complete.

Please do not send out any infant mortality or child fatality figures until after these press releases have been disseminated – which typically occurs in September/October. You may do ad hoc requests as long as they do not inadvertently reveal any child or infant death numbers. And another reminder if you are releasing identifiable data (approved through the proper channels) to restrict to only North Carolina occurrences.

All deaths are from the revised 2014 death certificate, and the final data files will differ from prior years.

All births in 2014 are from the 2003 revision of the U.S. Standard Certificate of Live Birth – same layouts (both stat and detail) since 2011. Beginning in 2014, all fetal deaths are from the 2003 revision as well, and the layout will reflect these changes. The 2014 consolidated birth/infant death file has a different layout than prior years as all of the death data in the file(s) are now from the revised death certificate.

Updated layouts are in the Vital Statistics Technical Packet folder in the I drive. Please pay close attention when doing any programming combining or comparing with prior years!

Once again, records with missing race information are imputed (detail file still contains unknown races) and racial groupings are collapsed in the stat death file. Therefore, any analyses using the race variable from the detail death file will produce different figures.

Also, I do make provisional files available as they are processed throughout the year. The layouts are different and *all data elements until the files are closed can change as we QC these files throughout the year*. The birth and fetal files are updated monthly, the death file as records are keyed by Vital Records. They can be found in the following locations:

• Birth: S:\sdata1\VRAS Stat Extracts

• Death: S:\sdata1\Mortality

• Fetal Death: S:\sdata1\VRAS Fetal File

If you have any questions about the files or any trouble accessing them, please let me know. If you would rather work with SAS I have those available as well. And pass this information on to anyone who may have an interest in the data but may not be on the 'SCHS SAS users' list.

Thanks,

Matt

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From: Conley, Azzie
To: Stanford, Jodi E

Cc: Mclamb, Sandra; Cogswell, Betty; Johnson, Linda; Stancil, Gaye S

Subject: applications

Date: Monday, August 17, 2015 2:52:00 PM

There are no changes to the 2016 Cardia Rehab LRA.

At this point, there are no changes to the abortion clinic application. Please delay printing this LRA as late as possible. I may have last minute changes related to Health Statistics.

Thank you

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From: Pfeiffer, Nadine
To: Conley, Azzie
Subject: hx note changed

 Date:
 Thursday, July 16, 2015 10:52:04 AM

 Attachments:
 RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0101-1.doc

I changed the hx note to .0101 on AB rule to reflect the new part of statute. See attached. Also, I put the effective date on all the rules. I did that after I sent the rules to you. I know you trust me that I did that. © I will send you a copy what we submit to RRC.

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 From:
 Pfeiffer, Nadine

 To:
 May, Amber Cronk

 Cc:
 Conley, Azzie

Subject: replacement rule 10A NCAC 14E

Date: Thursday, September 10, 2015 2:27:54 PM

Attachments: RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0111-3.doc

Amber.

We found an error in one of the technical change rules I had sent you earlier for the abortion rules (10A NCAC 14E). Please replace this revised version (attached) for rule .0111 with the one sent earlier. To help you distinguish, this file name has a -3 in the name. We forgot to delete a second "authorized" in the rule.

Thank you!

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From: Pfeiffer, Nadine To: Conley, Azzie

Subject: revised definition rule

Date: Friday, July 10, 2015 2:35:12 PM Attachments: RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0101-1.doc

Azzie.

Here is the revised AB definition rule we talked about. I added in the history note, the new SL. Did you want me to add this SL to the revised rules .0111 and .0306 as well? (those are the two I made the minor changes to based on the review I did in checking them against the current rule language).

Before I have Drexdal approve them all, I will send you them (or put them in the drop box, whichever you prefer) to review one more time to be sure you agree with the version that I have is what we are going forward with.

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From: <u>Pfeiffer, Nadine</u>
To: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>

Subject: revised history note for rules

Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2015 10:08:45 AM

Attachments: RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0111-2.doc

RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0306-2.doc RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0101-1.doc

Hi Azzie,

I revised the history notes for those 2 AB rules (.0111 and .0306) by adding the GS and attached them for you to look at. (they are also in the drop box—I overwrote the older version). For rule .0101, I had put the new SL in the statute rather than the GS. My thoughts were that although "qualified physician" is defined in the new addition of (g) to the statute from the law, maybe we should put the SL down since that term is used with additions to other parts of the statute from the law as well. Your thoughts on the history note for rule .0101? (attached)

The other thought is Amanda and Amber at RRC didn't say anything about us adding the SL to the hx note when they looked at .0101. I feel certain they will comment or ask us to add/delete to the history note if we have not done it correctly.

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From: Pfeiffer, Nadine
To: Conley, Azzie
Subject: rule technical changes

Date: Monday, September 07, 2015 11:41:24 AM
Attachments: TechChqReq AB Rules Response 9-15-1.docx

Hi Azzie,

So much for not working on a holiday! I went through Steve's comments on the AB technical change request document and saw the things you addressed. I found some additional items that need to be addressed and highlighted them in yellow for you on this updated response document. I also put some comments in green to you. The other stuff on the document I took care of for changing the rule and I responded in blue font to send back to Amber. I also put a refreshed version of all the rules in the AB dropbox on the S drive. Please look at all the changes I made to double check me and make sure you are ok with them. I also put the revised response document in the dropbox too. I would like to send Amber the revised rules and the response to the technical changes on Wednesday so she has time to review them and give us time to address any further questions/rule changes after she looks at it.

Thank you!

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From: <u>Pfeiffer, Nadine</u>
To: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>

Subject: rules technical changes

Date: Friday, August 28, 2015 6:11:03 PM
Attachments: TechChqReq AB Rules Response 9-15.docx

Importance: High

Hi Azzie.

I have worked on the AB rules technical changes we received from Amber today. I have put all the revised rules in the rules Drop Box Abortion rules folder on the S drive so you can see what I have done. One rule (.0109) I did not make any revisions to, but I included it in there in case you wanted to make any changes to the rule. Amber sent technical changes on 19 of the 20 rules.

What I did on this response document (attached) is I responded to each request she sent using blue font. If I revised the rule, you will see a "done" or "deleted" or something to that effect beside the comment. If there was something I had no clue over, I put ??? in there for you to address. I also may have left you a note asking if you wanted me to change something or not. I attempted to answer some of the requests/guestions that I felt comfortable doing, but don't get too excited, there weren't that many!

Please add to the response document, continuing in the same blue font so Amber can easily see our responses when I send this back to her. Just send me the response document back with your revisions as well as any rule revisions. Or if you want to put any of your rule revisions back in the drop box rather than email them to me that is fine, just let me know. I would like to send these to Amber by the end of next week if possible in case she has additional questions.

Give me a call if you need me, you know how to find me!

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From: <u>Pfeiffer, Nadine</u>

To: <u>Britt, Christy</u>; <u>Granger, Jon; Conley, Azzie</u>

Subject: RRC meeting

 Start:
 Thursday, September 17, 2015 9:00:00 AM

 End:
 Thursday, September 17, 2015 12:00:00 PM

Location: OAH office

RP Industrial & Analytical Rules Abortion Rules

From: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>

To: <u>Jones-vessey, Kathleen</u>

Subject: FW:

Date: Wednesday, August 12, 2015 3:10:00 PM

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From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2015 2:41 PM

To: McKillip, Matthew <Matt.McKillip@dhhs.nc.gov>; Dr. Randall Williams

<Randall.Williams@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: RE:

2013: our LRA totals 29,536 for combined medical and surgical procedures 2015: LRAs report 28,354 for combined medical and surgical procedures.

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From: McKillip, Matthew

Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2015 1:54 PM

To: Dr. Randall Williams < <u>Randall.Williams@dhhs.nc.gov</u>>; Conley, Azzie

<azzie.conley@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: RE:

I think it's worth doing a deeper dive on these two data sources (Randall's 2013 and the licensure renewal route) to make sure we are talking apples to apples.

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From: Dr. Randall Williams

Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2015 12:45 PM **To:** Conley, Azzie; McKillip, Matthew

Subject: RE:

Thank you and that is a big increase from 2013 data. This trend is concerning. Randall

From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2015 8:59 AM

To: McKillip, Matthew **Cc:** Dr. Randall Williams

Subject: RE:

I did not give Dr. Williams total abortion procedures. I provided total of 16 licensed clinics. 5 are under PPH. One opened in 2015.

Based on the 2015 licensure renewal applications, the combined total of medical and surgical procedures was 28,354. PPH reported 6161 for their facilities.

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From: McKillip, Matthew

Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2015 8:46 AM

To: Conley, Azzie <azzie.conley@dhhs.nc.gov>

Cc: Dr. Randall Williams < <u>Randall.Williams@dhhs.nc.gov</u>>

Subject:

Azzie, can you share the total abortions provided by clinic based on your recent count with Dr. Williams and the time frame? He had a different figure from a couple years back.

Best, Matt

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From: Pfeiffer, Nadine
To: Conley, Azzie
Cc: Pratt, Drexdal

 Subject:
 FW: Comment for section 10A NCAC 14E .0311

 Date:
 Tuesday, September 08, 2015 10:54:42 AM

 Attachments:
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Provider Comment MLZ 9.7.15.docx

Fyi, additional comment RRC received for AB rule.

From: May, Amber Cronk

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 9:40 AM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Subject: FW: Comment for section 10A NCAC 14E .0311

Same with this one.

From: MATTHEW ZERDEN [mailto:MZERDEN@wakemed.org]

Sent: Monday, September 07, 2015 10:41 PM **To:** May, Amber Cronk amber.may@oah.nc.gov **Subject:** Comment for section 10A NCAC 14E .0311

Hi,

Please see the attached letter.

Thank you for your consideration. Please let me know if you have any additional questions,

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 From:
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 To:
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 Cc:
 Pratt, Drexdal

Subject: FW: Comment on Rules Filed by DHHS

Date: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 11:05:50 AM

Attachments: NARAL Comment on DHHS Rules.pdf

Fyi, another comment from RRC on the AB rule.

From: May, Amber Cronk

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 11:04 AM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Subject: FW: Comment on Rules Filed by DHHS

From: Chavi Koneru [mailto:chavi@prochoicenc.org]

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 11:02 AM **To:** May, Amber Cronk amber.may@oah.nc.gov>

Subject: Comment on Rules Filed by DHHS

Hi Amber,

I got your contact information from Susanna Birdsong at the ACLU.

I am attaching a comment letter that I would like to submit, on behalf of NARAL, relating to the rules filed by DHHS. There are a couple of others who are also submitting letters (or may have already). I just wanted to make sure that it was alright to send you our comments and that you would be willing to share them with all the Commissioners. Please let me know if we should be sending this information to someone else.

Thanks for your help,

Chavi

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From: Pfeiffer, Nadine
To: Conley, Azzie
Cc: Pratt, Drexdal

Subject: FW: Comments on Rules for abortion clinics

Date: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 5:13:35 PM

Attachments: <u>image001.png</u>

image002.png image003.png image004.png image005.png image006.png image007.png

Provider Comments for Rules Commission- Bryant.docx

Fyi, another comment submitted to the RRC on the abortion rules. This is the same comment like the others submitted.

From: May, Amber Cronk

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 5:04 PM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Subject: FW: Comments on Rules for abortion clinics

From: Bryant, Amy [mailto:amy bryant@med.unc.edu]

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 4:36 PM

To: May, Amber Cronk <amber.may@oah.nc.gov> **Subject:** Comments on Rules for abortion clinics

Dear Ms. May,

Please see below my concerns regarding proposed rules on certifications of clinics for abortion. These comments are also attached here.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Amy Bryant

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September 8, 2015

Via electronic mail

Rules Review Commission Members Office of Administrative Hearings – Rules Division Attn: Amber May, Commission Counsel Amber.may@oah.nc.gov

Dear Chairman Dunklin and Members of the Commission,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments related to the proposed rules on certifications of clinics for abortion.

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I am specifically concerned that section 10A NCAC 14E .0311(a) of the proposed rules is unclear and ambiguous as currently written. The proposed rules change the language in section 10A NCAC 14E .0311(a) to read, "The procedure room shall be maintained exclusively for abortion procedures. .." from the original language, which read "The operating room shall be maintained exclusively for surgical procedures " It is my understanding that this change was made merely to conform the terminology used here with that used throughout the regulation. Although it appears at first glance that these changes are slight, I believe that they result in significant ambiguity in the rule's interpretation. Should this section be read to mean that only procedure rooms that are maintained exclusively for abortion procedures be subject to these rules? Or does it mean that procedure rooms in clinics that provide abortions must be maintained exclusively for abortion procedures, and can therefore no longer be used for other reproductive health care services, such as colposcopy, cyst drainage, endometrial biopsy, or management of spontaneous miscarriage?

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Thank you for your time and consideration of our concerns. If you have any questions or need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Amy Bryant, MD, MSCR | Assistant Professor

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 From:
 Pfeiffer, Nadine

 To:
 Conley, Azzie

 Cc:
 Pratt, Drexdal

Subject: FW: Comments on the Proposed Amendments Regarding the Licensing of Abortion Facilities

Date: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 5:17:39 PM

Attachments: RRC comments 2015 FINAL.pdf

Fyi, these are additional comments submitted to the RRC on the abortion rules. Please note: These are different comments than what has been submitted in the prior comments.

From: May, Amber Cronk

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 5:06 PM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Subject: FW: Comments on the Proposed Amendments Regarding the Licensing of Abortion Facilities

These are different comments.

From: Heather Shumaker [mailto:hshumaker@prochoice.org]

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 5:00 PM

Subject: Comments on the Proposed Amendments Regarding the Licensing of Abortion Facilities

Dear Rules Review Commission Staff,

Please find attached written comments on the proposed amendments regarding the licensing of abortion facilities. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Best Regards,

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 From:
 Pfeiffer, Nadine

 To:
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 Cc:
 Pratt, Drexdal

 Subject:
 FW: Comments to Abortion Facility Regulations

 Date:
 Tuesday, September 08, 2015 5:12:44 PM

 Attachments:
 Rules Review Commission Comments.pdf

Fyi, additional comments submitted to RRC. This is the same as the other comments submitted.

From: May, Amber Cronk

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 5:04 PM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Subject: FW: Comments to Abortion Facility Regulations

From: Melissa Reed [mailto:melissa.reed@ppsat.org]

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 4:11 PM

To: May, Amber Cronk **Subject:** Comments to Abortion Facility Regulations

Hello,

Please see attached out comments regarding the proposed rules on certifications of clinics for abortion.

Respectfully,

Melissa Reed

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Melissa L. Reed, Esq.

VP of Public Policy, Planned Parenthood South Atlantic Executive Director, Planned Parenthood Votes! South Atlantic

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 To:
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 Cc:
 Pratt, Drexdal

 Subject:
 FW: DHHS rules

Date: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 5:14:38 PM

Fyi, this is another comment submitted to RRC on the abortion rules. This is the same comment like the others submitted.

From: May, Amber Cronk

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 5:06 PM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine **Subject:** FW: DHHS rules

From: Dr Liz Deans, M.D. [mailto:elizabeth.i.deans@duke.edu]

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 4:06 PM

To: May, Amber Cronk <amber.may@oah.nc.gov>

Subject: DHHS rules

Rules Review Commission Members Office of Administrative Hearings – Rules Division

Attn: Amber May, Commission Counsel

Amber.may@oah.nc.gov

Dear Chairman Dunklin and Members of the Commission,

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The rules proposed by the Department of Health and Human Services were written with extensive input from doctors, health care professionals and reproductive health experts and rely on evidence-based medicine. As a obstetrician/gynecologist I am committed to ensuring that the rules, as written, are clear and unambiguous for the providers to whom they apply. It is important for me to ensure that rules do not detract from care of patients or limit the care we as clinicians can provide.

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Subject: FW: Office of Administrative Hearings – Rules Division -- proposed rules for abortion providers

Date: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 1:23:09 PM

Fyi, another comment on the abortion rule to the RRC.

From: May, Amber Cronk

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 1:22 PM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Subject: FW: Office of Administrative Hearings – Rules Division -- proposed rules for abortion

providers

From: Dr Beverly Gray, M.D. [mailto:beverly.gray@duke.edu]

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 1:11 PM **To:** May, Amber Cronk amber.may@oah.nc.gov

Subject: Office of Administrative Hearings – Rules Division -- proposed rules for abortion providers

Rules Review Commission Members

Office of Administrative Hearings – Rules Division Attn: Amber May, Commission Counsel <u>Amber.may@oah.nc.gov</u>

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Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments related to the proposed rules on certifications of clinics for abortion.

The rules proposed by the Department of Health and Human Services were written with extensive input from doctors, health care professionals and reproductive health experts and rely on evidence-based medicine. As an obstetrician/gynecologist at Duke University Medical Center, I am committed to ensuring that the rules, as written, are clear and unambiguous for the providers to whom they apply. As an obstetrician/gynecologist at Duke University Medical Center, I provide care for patients who experience pregnancy loss and also seek care for abortion. In our facility we provide an excellent standard of care for all of our patients.

We are specifically concerned that section 10A NCAC 14E .0311(a) of the proposed rules is unclear and ambiguous as currently written. The proposed rules change the language in section 10A NCAC 14E .0311(a) to read, "The <u>procedure</u> room shall be maintained exclusively for <u>abortion</u> procedures . . ." from the original language, which read "The <u>operating</u> room shall be maintained exclusively for <u>surgical</u> procedures" It is our understanding that this change was made merely to conform the terminology used here with that used throughout the

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Take care,

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 From:
 Pfeiffer, Nadine

 To:
 Conley, Azzie

 Cc:
 Pratt, Drexdal

Subject: FW: Regulations for abortion clinics

Date: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 10:55:24 AM

Fyi, additional comment RRC received for AB rule.

From: May, Amber Cronk

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 10:35 AM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Subject: FW: Regulations for abortion clinics

From: amy alspaugh [mailto:amyalspaugh@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 10:33 AM **To:** May, Amber Cronk amber.may@oah.nc.gov

Subject: Regulations for abortion clinics

09/08/2015

Rules Review Commission Members Office of Administrative Hearings – Rules Division

Attn: Amber May, Commission Counsel

Amber.may@oah.nc.gov

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Sincerely,

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From: Rulescoordinator, Dhsr

To: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>
Cc: <u>Pratt, Drexdal</u>

Subject: FW: Rules Review Commission Review of Amendments to 10A NCAC 14E

Date: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 2:56:18 PM

Attachments: <u>image001.png</u>

Center for Reproductive Rights Comments Re Amendments to 10A NCAC 14E.pdf

This abortion rules comment was also sent to the Rules Coordinator email address.

From: Genevieve Scott [mailto:gscott@reprorights.org]

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 2:01 PM

To: May, Amber Cronk **Cc:** Rulescoordinator, Dhsr

Subject: Rules Review Commission Review of Amendments to 10A NCAC 14E

Dear Ms. May,

The Center for Reproductive Rights submits the attached comments to the Rules Review Commission in response to the proposed amendments to 10A NCAC 14E, Certifications of Clinics for Abortion, pursuant to 26 NCAC 05.0103. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Best regards,

Genevieve Scott



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From: Pfeiffer, Nadine
To: Conley, Azzie
Cc: Pratt, Drexdal
Subject: FW: Some notes

Date: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 5:45:30 PM
Attachments: TechChqReq AB Rules Response 9-15-2.docx

RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0306-1.doc

Azzie,

Margaret Currin, one of the RRC Commissioners (used to be the Chairman) has some additional questions regarding the abortion rules. We will have to respond to these additional questions like they are technical changes/requests. I have added them to the technical change document under each rule and attempted to respond to them. Please review, make sure what I added was correct and add if needed. I am attaching a revised technical change response document and also a revised .0306 since I made a change to that rule. I also put these documents in the drop box if it is easier for you to find them there.

This seems like it never ends, does it?

Thanks.

Nadine

From: May, Amber Cronk

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 5:08 PM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine **Subject:** FW: Some notes

Hi Nadine,

I haven't had an opportunity to review these yet, but please see the additional comments from Commissioner Currin.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need any additional assistance.

Thank you,

Amber

From: Currin, Margaret P. [mailto:currinm@campbell.edu]

Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 4:00 PM

To: May, Amber Cronk amber.may@oah.nc.gov">amber.may@oah.nc.gov

Subject: Some notes

Hi, Amber. A few questions (some for my own edification) on the HHS-DHS Regs.

10A NCAC 14E .0111

Line 14—"shall be considered"—Considered for what? I assume this is saying that an inspection shall be <u>conducted</u> whenever its purpose is to determine whether the clinic is compliance with the rules . . . or whenever there is reason to believe that it isn't.

Lines 19 and 20—I assume that "within 10 business days of receipt" is days of receipt of the notification of the deficiencies. Would including clarification of receipt of what help?

10A NCAC 14E .0306 Line 4—"must" or "shall"? Line 17—"that" instead of "which"

10A NCAC 14E .0307

- (c)—What is an "adequate number"? How is it determined?
- (d)—At least one RN? I guess when (c) and (d) are read together, additional meaning is provided?

10A NCAC 14E .0310

(c)—The clinic has to have a written agreement with a nearby hospital to transfer emergency cases. But if they've tried to contract with such a facility and have failed, they are still in compliance???????

MPC

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From: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>
To: <u>Pfeiffer, Nadine</u>

Subject: FW: TechChgReq AB Rules Response 9-15-1.docx

Date: Friday, September 04, 2015 3:57:00 PM
Attachments: TechChqReq AB Rules Response 9-15-1.docx

FYI

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From: Lewis, Steven

Sent: Friday, September 04, 2015 3:57 PM **To:** Conley, Azzie <azzie.conley@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: TechChgReq AB Rules Response 9-15-1.docx

Azzie, all my comments are in GREEN. If you have questions email me. I will be out of the office on Tuesday but I can answer anything you need by email.

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From: Conley, Azzie
To: Azzie-Home

Subject: Fw: ABC Public Comments final.xlsx

Date: Thursday, July 16, 2015 7:47:26 AM

Attachments: ABC Public Comments final.xlsx

From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Monday, March 23, 2015 2:35:12 PM

To: Conley, Azzie **Cc:** Conley, Azzie

Subject: ABC Public Comments final.xlsx

Good afternoon:

I have attached comments received on the proposed draft abortion clinic rules. Please review and forward me your comments. I am proposing a time to meet and and discuss the week of April 13, 2015 or April 20, 2015. Please let me know your preferred week. Thank you for your feedback!

From: <u>Conley, Azzie</u> on behalf of <u>Stanford, Jodi E</u>

To: Yakaboski, Greg; Frisone, Martha; Dickson, Tom E; Brown, Elizabeth; Bennett, Paige; Craddock, Amy D; Mclamb,

Sandra; Pittman, Lisa; Conley, Azzie; Johnson, Linda; Pfeiffer, Nadine; Carraway, Shelley

Subject: Fw: Hospital LRA - Review

Attachments: 2015 apphl hldata - Final - Blank Copy.doc

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Patsy

These meetings are more productive when planning staff have reviewed the applications and identified critical changes. It is non

From: Conley, Azzie on behalf of Stanford, Jodi E Sent: Tuesday, July 21, 2015 5:16:40 PM To: Yakaboski, Greg; Frisone, Martha Subject: Fw: Hospital LRA - Review

When: Tuesday, August 18, 2015 11:00 AM-12:00 PM. Where: DHHS_DHSR EDGERTON CONF RM 204

I really think Planning and CON staff should determine their critical amendments prior to a meeting with Acute.

From: Stanford, Jodi E Sent: Tuesday, July 21, 2015 4:17:48 PM

To: Yakaboski, Greg, Dickson, Tom E; Brown, Elizabeth; Bennett, Paige; Craddock, Amy D; Mclamb, Sandra; Frisone, Martha; Pittman, Lisa;

Conley, Azzie; Johnson, Linda; Pfeiffer, Nadine; Carraway, Shelley

Subject: Hospital LRA - Review

When: Tuesday, August 18, 2015 11:00 AM-12:00 PM. Where: DHHS_DHSR EDGERTON CONF RM 204

We will add Amsu's to this meeting.

We need to reschedule for Planning to be able to attend.

If we forgot to include anyone please let us know.

Jodi & Sandra

From: Conley, Azzie
To: Jones, Starlene

Subject:Hospital Checklist Initial LicensureDate:Tuesday, August 25, 2015 5:05:00 PMAttachments:Hospital Checklist Initial Licensure.doc

From: Pfeiffer, Nadine
To: Dr. Randall Williams
Cc: Pratt, Drexdal; Conley, Azzie
Subject: Proposed Abortion Rules

 Date:
 Thursday, July 16, 2015 9:29:41 AM

 Attachments:
 RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0101-1.doc

RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0104.doc RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0109.doc RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0111-1.doc RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0201.doc RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0202.doc RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0206.doc RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0207.doc RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0302.doc Form0400PermRule 14E .0303.docx Form0400PermRule 14E .0304.docx Form0400PermRule 14E .0305.docx Form0400PermRule 14E .0306.docx Form0400PermRule 14E .0307.docx Form0400PermRule 14E .0308.docx Form0400PermRule 14E .0309.docx Form0400PermRule 14E .0310.docx Form0400PermRule 14E .0311.docx Form0400PermRule 14E .0313.docx Form0400PermRule 14E .0315.docx

Dr. Williams,

Drexdal Pratt asked me to send you the proposed Abortion rules that we are intending to adopt and submit to the Rules Review Commission next week for their September 17th meeting. The proposed effective date of these rules is October 1, 2015. These rules were developed with a committee that consisted of certified abortion clinic representatives, physicians, professional licensing agencies, the public and DHSR staff. Following the public hearing and public comment period on these rules, we received 1400 comments on these rules. We have made some changes to the original text of the rules based on SL 2015-62 that addressed the negative comments, such as not allowing someone under 18 work in a clinic and requiring annual inspections of the clinics. If you would like to see a spreadsheet of the all the comments, I would be happy to send that to you.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you.

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From: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>
To: <u>Stanford, Jodi E</u>

Subject: RE: Abortion LRA - updated

Date: Wednesday, September 02, 2015 2:17:00 PM

This is perfect. I meant to ask you for an application for a meeting today at 2. The meeting was changed to 9/8. Thank you!

Azzie Y. Conley, RN
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From: Stanford, Jodi E

Sent: Wednesday, September 02, 2015 1:33 PM **To:** Conley, Azzie <azzie.conley@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: Abortion LRA - updated

Please let me know if anything needs changed.

Thanks, Jodi

Jodi Stanford

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From: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>

To: Sholar, Adam; Goodman, Jesse

Cc: <u>Pratt, Drexdal</u>

Subject: RE: Abortion clinic rules

Date: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 3:02:00 PM

If no objections October 1, 2015.

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----Original Message-----
From: Sholar, Adam
Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 3:00 PM
To: Goodman, Jesse <jesse.goodman@dhhs.nc.gov>
Cc: Conley, Azzie <azzie.conley@dhhs nc.gov>; Pratt, Drexdal <drexdal.pratt@dhhs.nc.gov>
Subject: Re: Abortion clinic rules
When are they scheduled to be effective?
Sent from my iPhone
> On Sep 8, 2015, at 2:55 PM, Goodman, Jesse <jesse.goodman@dhhs.nc.gov> wrote:
>
> Rules are scheduled to go to Rules Review Commission on Sept. 17th. Comment period ends today.
> -----Original Message-----
> From: Sholar, Adam
> Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 2:41 PM
> To: Goodman, Jesse < jesse.goodman@dhhs.nc.gov>
> Subject: Abortion clinic rules
> Where are they in process?
> Sent from my iPhone
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From: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>

To: <u>McKillip, Matthew; Pratt, Drexdal</u>

Subject: RE: clinics

Date: Thursday, August 06, 2015 9:49:00 AM

There is currently 16 licensed ABCs.

Planned Parenthood Asheville opened March 24, 2015 North Durham Women's Health opened June 12, 2015

Please let me know if you need more information.

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From: McKillip, Matthew

Sent: Thursday, August 06, 2015 8:37 AM

To: Conley, Azzie <azzie.conley@dhhs.nc.gov>; Pratt, Drexdal <drexdal.pratt@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: clinics

Azzie,

I found this in some older materials you pulled together with Kevin Howell in 2014. Is this still accurate?

Best,

Matt

There are 14 certified abortion clinics in North Carolina:

Facility Name - Abortions Clinics	Orig. Date of Licensure	
A Preferred Women's Health Raleigh	1/1/1999	
A Preferred Women's Health Charlotte	8/3/1999	
A Woman's Choice of Raleigh	8/20/1993	
Carolinas Women's Clinic Charlotte (Carolina Center for	8/17/1984	
Women)		
Crist Clinic for Women Jacksonville	12/8/1997	

Easton OB/GYN Chapel Hill	6/15/1989
Family Reproductive Health Charlotte	12/22/1992
Hallmark Women's Clinic Fayetteville	1/28/1980
Piedmont Carolina Medical Clinic Greensboro	7/28/1977
Planned Parenthood Fayetteville	1/14/2012
Planned Parenthood Central NC Chapel Hill	10/20/1998
Planned Parenthood Wilmington	1/17/1986
Planned Parenthood Winston Salem	5/7/1974
Women's Health Alliance Chapel Hill	11/29/1993

Planned Parenthood is currently seeking certification to provide abortions in Asheville.
 Another facility is currently seeking certification in Durham. (This would bring the total to 16.)

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From: Conley, Azzie
To: Christian, Patsy
Subject: Re: Abortion questions

Date: Thursday, July 16, 2015 7:37:03 AM

We talked. He called me at 7:13AM.

From: Christian, Patsy

Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2015 4:42:58 PM

To: Conley, Azzie

Subject: RE: Abortion questions

Thanks Azzie

From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2015 1:47 PM

To: Christian, Patsy

Subject: Re: Abortion questions

I just left a voice message.

From: Christian, Patsy

Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2015 10:27:46 AM

To: Conley, Azzie

Subject: Abortion questions

Hi Azzie—hope that you are having a great week off. Dr. Randall Williams, Deputy Secretary for Health Services asked Drexdal if you would give him a call re: some questions he has about abortion clinics. He works with the Secretary and has been advising her on the abortion rules, issues, etc. I called him to let him know that you are on vacation and he said it would be ok to talk with you early next week. I know that you are going to be busy when you get back but please give him a call when you can. His cell is 919-413-7791. Let me know when you do.

HAPPY EARLY BIRTHDAY!!!!

From: Conley, Azzie
To: Pfeiffer, Nadine
Subject: Re: adoption approval

Date: Monday, July 20, 2015 6:47:53 PM

Thank you

From: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Sent: Monday, July 20, 2015 5:05:24 PM

To: Conley, Azzie

Subject: adoption approval

Azzie,

The abortion rules have been adopted by Drexdal. See attached. I will work on the paperwork for submitting the rules to the RRC. The deadline is 8/20/15, but my target is sometime this week so they don't sit on my desk.

Nadine Pfeiffer

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 From:
 Pfeiffer, Nadine

 To:
 May, Amber Cronk

 Cc:
 Conley, Azzie

Subject: Re: technical changes for AB rules 10A NCAC 14E

Date: Thursday, September 10, 2015 9:27:28 PM

Thank you Amber! I will probably just email them to you all tomorrow and then bring the hard copies later on with the RP rules. Thank you for all of your assistance.

Nadine

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 10, 2015, at 7:23 PM, May, Amber Cronk amber.may@oah.nc.gov> wrote:

Looks good! Thank you again for working with me on these.

If you wouldn't mind, please send the most recently changed rules to OAH.rules@oah.nc.gov. I was going to go ahead and do it, but I'm afraid of not capturing all of the most recent changes and thought that you probably had a more organized way of doing it. Please copy me on that email.

Also, please get me the hard copies when you have the opportunity. I'm ok with you bringing them whenever you bring over your other set of Rules – no need for you to come over twice, and I will be out of the office tomorrow anyway.

Let me know if you need anything else from me – I will be out of the office tomorrow, but available by email.

Thank you!

Amber

From: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Sent: Thursday, September 10, 2015 5:29 PM **To:** May, Amber Cronk amber.may@oah.nc.gov

Subject: RE: technical changes for AB rules 10A NCAC 14E

From: May, Amber Cronk

Sent: Thursday, September 10, 2015 3:12 PM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine **Cc:** Conley, Azzie

Subject: RE: technical changes for AB rules 10A NCAC 14E

Thank you guys so much for getting these back to me! I have just a couple of minor

things:

10A NCAC 14E .0109

- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->Please consider something like "pursuant to the applicable rules and statutes" after "unless previously suspended or revoked." Done
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->Is there a cross-reference you can provide for the approval process by the Division? It would be great if we could offer some sort of guidance as to how this will be completed. Section makes sure application is filled out in entirety, fee is paid pursuant to statute.

10A NCAC 14E .0111

<!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->In (c), please consider adding a cross-reference to 10A NCAC 14E .0302 to make clear to whom "the person is charge" is referring adding cross reference would add confusion to this rule. The CEO may be the person in charge or may designate someone else to be. The regulated providers understand this term of "person in charge"

10A NCAC 14E .0305

<!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]--> In (a)(9), please add a comma in between "representative" and "or facility" and in (b) in between "date" and "and time" for purposes of consistency. Done

Just so you know — as I was reading through your technically changed rules, I kept thinking "they (you guys) are so great!" You have no idea how much I appreciate your willingness to work with me on these. Thank you!! Azzie and Nadine

Let us know if there is anything else or if we are "good to go!"

Thank you!

Amber

From: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Sent: Thursday, September 10, 2015 12:48 PM **To:** May, Amber Cronk amber.may@oah.nc.gov">amber.may@oah.nc.gov **Cc:** Conley, Azzie azzie.conley@dhhs.nc.gov

Subject: technical changes for AB rules 10A NCAC 14E

Hi Amber.

Here are the technical changes for the abortion rules. Please let me know if you have any further questions/concerns. We made no changes to rule .0109 and there were no technical changes requested for rule .0304 so I am not attaching them. I know this is not the naming convention OAH wishes of the files, however I use this for my tracking purposes of the

various versions of the rule and where it is in the process. I do not want to rewrite over the versions of the rules. I will be happy to submit the final versions with the requested naming convention.

Also, to let you know, we will be meeting with the Assistant Legal Counsel to the Dept this afternoon to develop a response to the comments and submit to the Commission.

Enjoy!

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From: Conley, Azzie
To: Lewis, Steven

Subject:TechChgReq AB Rules Response 9-15-1Date:Friday, September 04, 2015 11:54:00 AMAttachments:TechChgReq AB Rules Response 9-15-1.docx

See the following. We need your feedback! Thank you

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0201

0206

From: Conley, Azzie To:

Pfeiffer, Nadine
TechChgReq AB Rules Response 9-15-3
Thursday, September 10, 2015 11:14:00 AM Subject: Date: Attachments: TechChgReq AB Rules Response 9-15-3.docx From: May, Amber Cronk
To: Pfeiffer, Nadine
Cc: Conley, Azzie

Subject: Technical Change Requests

Date: Friday, August 28, 2015 12:03:42 PM

Attachments: DHHS- DHSR Technical Changes September 2015.docx

Hi Nadine,

I hope that all is well. Please find attached technical change requests for the Rule submitted for RRC review at their September 17, 2015 meeting.

As always, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns with any of my requests.

Thank you,

Amber Cronk May Rules Review Commission Counsel Office of Administrative Hearings – Rules Division 919-431-3074

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From: Avery, Matt

To: <u>DHHS.SCHSSASUsers</u>

Subject: [SCHSSASUsers] 2014 Vital Statistics Data Files

Date: Tuesday, August 25, 2015 9:56:05 AM

Attachments: 2014 VITAL EVENTS.xls

ATT00001.txt

VITAL STATISTICS STATISTICIANS AND DATA USERS:

The 2014 Vital Statistics files (detail and stat) are now available for analysis on the mainframe and the stat files are also available on the server. An Excel file is attached with the file names and record counts (2014 VITAL EVENTS.xls). The pregnancy and abortion files are still being processed; I will send an e-mail notification when they are complete.

Please do not send out any infant mortality or child fatality figures until after these press releases have been disseminated – which typically occurs in September/October. You may do ad hoc requests as long as they do not inadvertently reveal any child or infant death numbers. And another reminder if you are releasing identifiable data (approved through the proper channels) to restrict to only North Carolina occurrences.

All deaths are from the revised 2014 death certificate, and the final data files will differ from prior years.

All births in 2014 are from the 2003 revision of the U.S. Standard Certificate of Live Birth – same layouts (both stat and detail) since 2011. Beginning in 2014, all fetal deaths are from the 2003 revision as well, and the layout will reflect these changes. The 2014 consolidated birth/infant death file has a different layout than prior years as all of the death data in the file(s) are now from the revised death certificate.

Updated layouts are in the Vital Statistics Technical Packet folder in the I drive. Please pay close attention when doing any programming combining or comparing with prior years!

Once again, records with missing race information are imputed (detail file still contains unknown races) and racial groupings are collapsed in the stat death file. Therefore, any analyses using the race variable from the detail death file will produce different figures.

Also, I do make provisional files available as they are processed throughout the year. The layouts are different and *all data elements until the files are closed can change as we QC these files throughout the year*. The birth and fetal files are updated monthly, the death file as records are keyed by Vital Records. They can be found in the following locations:

• Birth: S:\sdata1\VRAS Stat Extracts

• Death: S:\sdata1\Mortality

• Fetal Death: S:\sdata1\VRAS Fetal File

If you have any questions about the files or any trouble accessing them, please let me know. If you would rather work with SAS I have those available as well. And pass this information on to anyone who may have an interest in the data but may not be on the 'SCHS SAS users' list.

Thanks,

Matt

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From: Conley, Azzie
To: Stanford, Jodi E

Cc: Mclamb, Sandra; Cogswell, Betty; Johnson, Linda; Stancil, Gaye S

Subject: applications

Date: Monday, August 17, 2015 2:52:00 PM

There are no changes to the 2016 Cardia Rehab LRA.

At this point, there are no changes to the abortion clinic application. Please delay printing this LRA as late as possible. I may have last minute changes related to Health Statistics.

Thank you

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From: Pfeiffer, Nadine
To: Conley, Azzie
Subject: hx note changed

 Date:
 Thursday, July 16, 2015 10:52:04 AM

 Attachments:
 RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0101-1.doc

I changed the hx note to .0101 on AB rule to reflect the new part of statute. See attached. Also, I put the effective date on all the rules. I did that after I sent the rules to you. I know you trust me that I did that. © I will send you a copy what we submit to RRC.

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 From:
 Pfeiffer, Nadine

 To:
 May, Amber Cronk

 Cc:
 Conley, Azzie

Subject: replacement rule 10A NCAC 14E

Date: Thursday, September 10, 2015 2:27:54 PM

Attachments: RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0111-3.doc

Amber.

We found an error in one of the technical change rules I had sent you earlier for the abortion rules (10A NCAC 14E). Please replace this revised version (attached) for rule .0111 with the one sent earlier. To help you distinguish, this file name has a -3 in the name. We forgot to delete a second "authorized" in the rule.

Thank you!

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From: Pfeiffer, Nadine To: Conley, Azzie

Subject: revised definition rule

Date: Friday, July 10, 2015 2:35:12 PM Attachments: RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0101-1.doc

Azzie.

Here is the revised AB definition rule we talked about. I added in the history note, the new SL. Did you want me to add this SL to the revised rules .0111 and .0306 as well? (those are the two I made the minor changes to based on the review I did in checking them against the current rule language).

Before I have Drexdal approve them all, I will send you them (or put them in the drop box, whichever you prefer) to review one more time to be sure you agree with the version that I have is what we are going forward with.

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From: <u>Pfeiffer, Nadine</u>
To: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>

Subject: revised history note for rules

Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2015 10:08:45 AM

Attachments: RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0111-2.doc

RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0306-2.doc RRC 10A NCAC 14E .0101-1.doc

Hi Azzie,

I revised the history notes for those 2 AB rules (.0111 and .0306) by adding the GS and attached them for you to look at. (they are also in the drop box—I overwrote the older version). For rule .0101, I had put the new SL in the statute rather than the GS. My thoughts were that although "qualified physician" is defined in the new addition of (g) to the statute from the law, maybe we should put the SL down since that term is used with additions to other parts of the statute from the law as well. Your thoughts on the history note for rule .0101? (attached)

The other thought is Amanda and Amber at RRC didn't say anything about us adding the SL to the hx note when they looked at .0101. I feel certain they will comment or ask us to add/delete to the history note if we have not done it correctly.

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From: Pfeiffer, Nadine
To: Conley, Azzie
Subject: rule technical changes

Date: Monday, September 07, 2015 11:41:24 AM
Attachments: TechChqReq AB Rules Response 9-15-1.docx

Hi Azzie,

So much for not working on a holiday! I went through Steve's comments on the AB technical change request document and saw the things you addressed. I found some additional items that need to be addressed and highlighted them in yellow for you on this updated response document. I also put some comments in green to you. The other stuff on the document I took care of for changing the rule and I responded in blue font to send back to Amber. I also put a refreshed version of all the rules in the AB dropbox on the S drive. Please look at all the changes I made to double check me and make sure you are ok with them. I also put the revised response document in the dropbox too. I would like to send Amber the revised rules and the response to the technical changes on Wednesday so she has time to review them and give us time to address any further questions/rule changes after she looks at it.

Thank you!

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From: <u>Pfeiffer, Nadine</u>
To: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>

Subject: rules technical changes

Date: Friday, August 28, 2015 6:11:03 PM
Attachments: TechChqReq AB Rules Response 9-15.docx

Importance: High

Hi Azzie.

I have worked on the AB rules technical changes we received from Amber today. I have put all the revised rules in the rules Drop Box Abortion rules folder on the S drive so you can see what I have done. One rule (.0109) I did not make any revisions to, but I included it in there in case you wanted to make any changes to the rule. Amber sent technical changes on 19 of the 20 rules.

What I did on this response document (attached) is I responded to each request she sent using blue font. If I revised the rule, you will see a "done" or "deleted" or something to that effect beside the comment. If there was something I had no clue over, I put ??? in there for you to address. I also may have left you a note asking if you wanted me to change something or not. I attempted to answer some of the requests/guestions that I felt comfortable doing, but don't get too excited, there weren't that many!

Please add to the response document, continuing in the same blue font so Amber can easily see our responses when I send this back to her. Just send me the response document back with your revisions as well as any rule revisions. Or if you want to put any of your rule revisions back in the drop box rather than email them to me that is fine, just let me know. I would like to send these to Amber by the end of next week if possible in case she has additional questions.

Give me a call if you need me, you know how to find me!

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From: <u>Pfeiffer, Nadine</u>

To: <u>Britt, Christy</u>; <u>Granger, Jon; Conley, Azzie</u>

Subject: RRC meeting

 Start:
 Thursday, September 17, 2015 9:00:00 AM

 End:
 Thursday, September 17, 2015 12:00:00 PM

Location: OAH office

RP Industrial & Analytical Rules Abortion Rules

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From: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>
To: <u>Ethridge, Lynn</u>

Subject: Emailing: subchapter%20e%20rules

Date: Thursday, December 03, 2015 12:37:00 PM

SUBCHAPTER 14E - CERTIFICATIONS OF CLINICS FOR ABORTION

SECTION .0100 - CERTIFICATION PROCEDURE

10A NCAC 14E .0101 DEFINITIONS

The following definitions will apply throughout this Subchapter:

- (1) "Abortion" means the termination of a pregnancy as defined in G.S. 90-21.81(1).
- "Clinic" means a freestanding facility (a facility neither physically attached nor operated by a licensed hospital) for the performance of abortions completed during the first 20 weeks of pregnancy.
- (3) "Complication" includes but is not limited to hemorrhage, infection, uterine perforation, cervical laceration, or retained products of conception.
- (4) "Division" means the Division of Health Service Regulation of the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services.
- (5) "Gestational age" means the length of pregnancy as indicated by the date of the first day of the last normal monthly menstrual period, if known, or as determined by ultrasound.
- (6) "Governing authority" means the individual, agency, group, or corporation appointed, elected or otherwise designated, in which the ultimate responsibility and authority for the conduct of the abortion clinic is vested pursuant to Rule .0302 of this Subchapter.
- (7) "Health Screening" means an evaluation of an employee or contractual employee, including tuberculosis testing, to identify any underlying conditions that may affect the person's ability to work in the clinic.
- (8) "New clinic" means one that is not certified as an abortion clinic by the Division as of July 1, 2014, and has not been certified within the previous six months of the application for certification.
- (9) "Qualified Physician" means a licensed physician who advises, procures, or causes a miscarriage or abortion as defined in G.S. 14-45.1(g).
- (10) "Registered Nurse" means a person who holds a valid license issued by the North Carolina Board of Nursing to practice professional nursing in accordance with the Nursing Practice Act, G.S. 90, Article 9A.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 14-45.1(g); 143B-10; S.L. 2013-366, s. 4(c);

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977;

Amended Eff. October 1, 2015; July 1, 1994; December 1, 1989; June 30, 1980.

10A NCAC 14E .0102 CONFERENCE

Before proceeding with construction and operational plans, a potential sponsor or owner of a freestanding abortion clinic shall discuss with the staff of the Division of Health Service Regulation the scope of the proposed facility. This will provide an opportunity for the owner and the Division's staff to discuss certification requirements.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977.

10A NCAC 14E .0103 CHANGES

All stages of the plans from schematics through working drawings shall be reviewed by the Division's staff each time a change is made.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977.

10A NCAC 14E .0104 PLANS

Prior to issuance of a certificate pursuant to Rule .0107 of this Section, a clinic shall submit two copies of the building plans to the Division for certification purposes when the clinic requires a review by the Division and the Department of Insurance, according to the North Carolina Administration and Enforcement Requirements Code, 2012 edition, including subsequent amendments and editions. Copies of the North Carolina Administration Code are available from the International Code Council at http://www.ecodes.biz/ecodes_support/Free_Resources/2012NorthCarolina/12NorthCarolina_main html at no cost. When the local jurisdiction has authority from the North Carolina Building Code Council to review the plans, the clinic shall submit only one copy of the plans to the Division. In that case, the clinic shall submit an additional set of plans directly to the local jurisdiction.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977; Amended Eff. October 1, 2015.

10A NCAC 14E .0105 APPROVAL

Approval from the Division of Health Service Regulation, the Division of Environmental Health, and the Department of Insurance should be obtained before construction is commenced.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977; Amended Eff. December 1, 1989.

10A NCAC 14E .0106 APPLICATION

- (a) Prior to the admission of patients, an application from the clinic for certification shall be submitted to and approved by the Division.
- (b) Application forms may be obtained by contacting the Division.
- (c) The application form shall set forth the ownership, staffing patterns, clinical services to be rendered, professional staff in charge of services, and general information that would be helpful to the Division's understanding of the clinic's operating program.
- (d) After construction requirements in Section .0200 of this Subchapter have been met and the application for certification has been received and approved, the Division shall conduct an on-site, certification survey.
- (e) Each certificate must be renewed at the beginning of each calendar year. The governing authority shall file an application for renewal of certification with the Division at least 30 days prior to the date of expiration on forms furnished by the Division. Failure to file a renewal application shall result in expiration of the certificate to operate.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a);

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977;

Amended Eff. July 1, 1994.

10A NCAC 14E .0107 ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE

- (a) The Division shall issue a certificate if it finds the facility can:
 - (1) Comply with all requirements described in this Subchapter; and
 - (2) Assure that, in the event that complications arise from the abortion procedure, an OB-GYN board certified or board eligible physician shall be available.
- (b) Each certificate shall be issued only for the premises and persons or organizations named in the application and shall not be transferable.
- (c) The governing authority shall notify the Division in writing, within 10 working days, of any change in the name of the facility or change in the name of the administrator.
- (d) The facility shall report to the Division all incidents, within 10 working days, of vandalism to the facility such as fires, explosions or other action causing disruption of services.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a);

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977; Amended Eff. July 1, 1994.

10A NCAC 14E .0108 POSTING

Certificates shall be posted in a conspicuous place on the premises.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977.

10A NCAC 14E .0109 RENEWAL

Each certificate, unless previously suspended or revoked, pursuant to the applicable rules and statutes shall be renewable annually upon the filing of an application, payment of the non-refundable renewal fee as defined in G.S. 131E-269, and approval by the Division.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 131E-269; 143B-10;

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10A NCAC 14E .0110 REVOCATION

The Department shall deny, suspend, or revoke a certificate in any case where it finds that substantial failure to comply with these regulations renders the facility unsuitable for the performance of abortions.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10; 150B;

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Amended Eff. December 1, 1989.

10A NCAC 14E .0111 INSPECTIONS

- (a) Any clinic certified by the Division to perform abortions shall be inspected by representatives of the Division annually and as it may deem necessary as a condition of holding such license. An inspection shall be conducted whenever the purpose of the inspection is to determine whether the clinic complies with the rules of this Subchapter or whenever there is reason to believe that some condition exists which is not in compliance with the rules of this Subchapter.
- (b) The Division shall have authority to investigate any complaint relative to the care, treatment, or complication of any patient.
- (c) Representatives of the Division shall make their identities known to the person in charge prior to inspection of the clinic.
- (d) Representatives of the Division may review any records in any medium necessary to determine compliance with the rules of this Subchapter, while maintaining the confidentiality of the complainant and the patient, unless otherwise required by law.
- (e) The clinic shall allow the Division to have immediate access to its premises and the records necessary to conduct an inspection and determine compliance with the rules of this Subchapter.
- (f) A clinic shall file a plan of correction for cited deficiencies within 10 business days of receipt of the report of the survey. The Division shall review and respond to a written plan of correction within 10 business days of receipt of the corrective action plan.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 14-45.1(a1); 143B-10; S.L. 2013-366, s. 4(c);

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10A NCAC 14E .0112 ALTERATIONS

Any certificate holder or prospective applicant desiring to make specified types of alteration or addition to a clinic or to construct a new clinic, before commencing such alteration, addition or new construction shall submit plans and specifications therefor to the Division for preliminary inspection and approval or recommendations with respect to compliance with the regulations and standards herein authorized.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

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Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977; Amended Eff. December 1, 1989.

SECTION .0200 - MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT

10A NCAC 14E .0201 BUILDING CODE REQUIREMENTS

- (a) The physical plant for a clinic shall meet or exceed minimum requirements of the North Carolina State Building Code for Group B occupancy (business office facilities) which is incorporated herein by reference including subsequent amendments and editions. Copies of the Code can be obtained from the International Code Council online at http://shop.iccsafe.org/north-carolina-doi.discounts?ref=NC for a cost of five hundred twenty-seven dollars (\$527.00), or accessed electronically free of charge at http://www.ecodes.biz.
- (b) The requirements contained in this Section shall apply to new clinics and to any alterations, repairs, rehabilitation work, or additions which are made to a previously certified facility.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977;

Amended Eff. October 1, 2015; July 1, 1994; December 1, 1989.

10A NCAC 14E .0202 SANITATION

Clinics that are certified by the Division to perform abortions shall comply with the Rules governing the sanitation of hospitals, nursing homes, adult care homes, and other institutions, contained in 15A NCAC 18A .1300 which is hereby incorporated by reference including subsequent amendments and editions. Copies of 15A NCAC 18A .1300 may be obtained at no charge from the Division of Public Health, Environmental Health Section, 1632 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1632, or accessed electronically free of charge from the Office of Administrative Hearings at http://www.ncoah.com.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977;

Amended Eff. October 1, 2015; July 1, 1994.

10A NCAC 14E .0203 ELEVATOR

- (a) In multi-story buildings, at least one elevator for patient use shall be provided.
- (b) At least one dimension of the elevator cab shall be six and one-half feet to accommodate stretcher patients.
- (c) The elevator door shall have an opening of no less than three feet in width, which is minimum for stretcher use.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977.

10A NCAC 14E .0204 CORRIDORS

The width of corridors shall be sufficient to allow for patient evacuation by stretcher, but in no case shall patient-use corridors be less than 60 inches.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a);

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977;

Amended Eff. July 1, 1994.

10A NCAC 14E .0205 DOORS

Minimum width of doors to all rooms needing access for stretchers shall be three feet. No door shall swing into corridors in a manner that might obstruct traffic flow or reduce the required corridor width except doors to spaces such as small closets not subject to occupancy.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a);

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977;

Amended Eff. July 1, 1994.

10A NCAC 14E .0206 ELEMENTS AND EQUIPMENT

The physical plant shall provide equipment to carry out the functions of the clinic with the following minimum requirements:

- (1) Mechanical requirements.
 - (a) Temperatures and humidities:
 - (i) The mechanical systems shall be designed to provide the temperature and humidities shown in this Sub-Item:

Area Temperature Relative Humidity
Procedure 70-76 degrees F. 50-60%
Recovery 75-80 degrees F. 30-60%

- (b) All air supply and exhaust systems for the procedure suite and recovery area shall be mechanically operated. All fans serving exhaust systems shall be located at the discharge end of the system. The ventilation rates shown herein shall be considered as minimum acceptable rates.
 - (i) The ventilation system shall be designed and balanced to provide the pressure relationships detailed in Sub-Item (b)(vii) of this Rule.
 - (ii) All air supplied to procedure rooms shall be delivered at or near the ceiling of the room and all exhaust or return from the area shall be removed near the floor level at not less than three inches above the floor.
 - (iii) Corridors shall not be used to supply air to or exhaust air from any procedure or recovery room except to maintain required pressure relationships.
 - (iv) All ventilation or air conditioning systems serving procedure rooms shall have a minimum of one filter bed with a minimum filter efficiency of 80 percent.
 - (v) Ventilation systems serving the procedure or recovery rooms shall not be tied in with the soiled holding or work rooms, janitors' closets or locker rooms if the air is to be recirculated in any manner.
 - (vi) Air handling duct systems shall not have duct linings.
 - (vii) The following general air pressure relationships to adjacent areas and ventilation rates shall apply:

Area	Pressure Relationship	Minimum Air Changes/Hour
Procedure	P	6
Recovery	P	6
Soiled work,		
Janitor's closet,		
Toilets,		
Soiled holding	N	10
Clean work or		
Clean holding	P	4
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(P = positive pressure N = negative pressure)

- (2) Plumbing And Other Piping Systems.
 - (a) Medical Gas and Vacuum Systems
 - (i) Piped-in medical gas and vacuum systems, if installed, shall meet the requirements of NFPA-99-2012, type one system, which is hereby incorporated by reference including subsequent amendments and editions. Copies of NFPA-99-2012 may be purchased from the National Fire Protection Association, 1 Batterymarch Park, P.O. Box 9101, Quincy, MA 02269-9101, or accessed electronically free of charge at http://www.nfpa.org.
 - (ii) If inhalation anesthesia is used in any concentration, the facility must meet the requirements of NFPA 70-2011 and NFPA 99-2012, current editions relating to inhalation anesthesia, which are hereby incorporated by reference including

subsequent amendments and editions. Copies of NFPA 70-2011 and NFPA 99-2012 may be purchased from the National Fire Protection Association, 1 Batterymarch Park, P.O. Box 9101, Quincy, MA 02269-9101, or accessed electronically free of charge at http://www.nfpa.org.

- (b) Lavatories and sinks for use by medical personnel shall have the water supply spout mounted so that its discharge point is a minimum distance of five inches above the rim of the fixture with mixing type fixture valves that can be operated without the use of the hands.
- (c) Hot water distribution systems shall provide hot water at hand washing and bathing facilities at a minimum temperature of 100 degrees F. and a maximum temperature of 116 degrees F.
- (d) Floor drains shall not be installed in procedure rooms.
- (e) Building drainage and waste systems shall be designed to avoid installations in the ceiling directly above procedure rooms.
- (3) Electrical Requirements.
 - (a) Procedure and recovery rooms, and paths of egress from these rooms to the outside shall have at a minimum, listed battery backup lighting units of one and one-half hour capability that will automatically provide at least five foot candles of illumination at the floor in the event needed for a utility or local lighting circuit failure.
 - (b) Electrically operated medical equipment necessary for the safety of the patient shall have, at a minimum, battery backup.
 - (c) Receptacles located within six feet of sinks or lavatories shall be ground-fault protected.
 - (d) At least one wired-in, ionization-type smoke detector shall be within 15 feet of each procedure or recovery room entrance.
- (4) Buildings systems and medical equipment shall have preventative maintenance conducted as recommended by the equipment manufacturers' or installers' literature to assure operation in compliance with manufacturer's instructions.

History Note:

Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

Eff. February 1, 1976;

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Amended Eff. October 1, 2015; July 1, 1994; December 1, 1989.

10A NCAC 14E .0207 AREA REQUIREMENTS

The following areas shall comply with Rule .0206 of this Section, and are considered minimum requirements for clinics that are certified by the Division to perform abortions:

- (1) receiving area;
- (2) examining room;
- (3) preoperative preparation and holding room;
- (4) individual patient locker facilities or equivalent;
- (5) procedure room;
- (6) recovery room;
- (7) clean workroom;
- (8) soiled workroom;
- (9) medicine room may be defined as area in the clean workroom if a self-contained secure cabinet complying with security requirements of state and federal laws is provided;
- (10) separate and distinct areas for storage and handling clean and soiled linen;
- (11) patient toilet;
- (12) personnel lockers and toilet facilities;
- (13) laboratory:
- (14) nourishment station with storage and preparation area for serving meals or in-between meal snacks;
- (15) janitor's closets;
- (16) adequate space and equipment for assembling, sterilizing and storing medical and surgical supplies;
- (17) storage space for medical records; and

(18) office space for nurses' charting, doctors' charting, communications, counseling, and business functions.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977;

Amended Eff. October 1, 2015; December 24, 1979.

10A NCAC 14E .0208 SHARED SERVICES

When there is written indication that services are to be shared or purchased, appropriate modifications or deletions in space requirements may be anticipated.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977.

SECTION .0300 - ADMINISTRATION

10A NCAC 14E .0301 OWNERSHIP

The ownership of the abortion clinic shall be fully disclosed to the Division.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

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Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977.

SECTION .0300 – GOVERNING AUTHORITY

10A NCAC 14E .0302 GOVERNING AUTHORITY

- (a) The governing authority, as defined in Rule .0101(6) of this Subchapter, shall appoint a chief executive officer or a designee of the clinic to represent the governing authority and shall define his or her authority and duties in writing. This person shall be responsible for the management of the clinic, implementation of the policies of the governing authority and authorized and empowered to carry out the provisions of these Rules.
- (b) The chief executive officer or designee shall designate, in writing, a person to act on his or her behalf during his or her absence. In the absence of the chief executive officer or designee, the person on the grounds of the clinic who is designated by the chief executive officer or designee to be in charge of the clinic shall have access to all areas in the clinic related to patient care and to the operation of the physical plant.
- (c) When there is a planned change in ownership or in the chief executive officer, the governing authority of the clinic shall notify the Division in writing of the change.
- (d) The clinic's governing authority shall adopt operating policies and procedures that shall:
 - (1) specify the individual to whom responsibility for operation and maintenance of the clinic is delegated and methods established by the governing authority for holding such individuals responsible;
 - (2) provide for at least annual meetings of the governing authority, for which minutes shall be maintained; and
 - (3) maintain a policies and procedures manual designed to ensure professional and safe care for the patients which shall be reviewed, and revised when necessary, at least annually, and shall include provisions for administration and use of the clinic, compliance, personnel quality assurance, procurement of outside services and consultations, patient care policies, and services offered.
- (e) When the clinic contracts with outside vendors to provide services such as laundry, or therapy services, the governing authority shall be responsible to assure the supplier meets the same local and state standards the clinic would have to meet if it were providing those services itself using its own staff.
- (f) The governing authority shall provide for the selection and appointment of the professional staff and the granting of clinical privileges and shall be responsible for the professional conduct of these persons.
- (g) The governing authority shall be responsible for ensuring the availability of supporting personnel to meet patient needs and to provide safe patient care.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10; S.L. 2013-366, s. 4(c);

Eff. February 1, 1976; Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977; Amended Eff. October 1, 2015; December 1, 1989.

10A NCAC 14E .0303 POLICIES AND PROCEDURES AND ADMINISTRATIVE RECORDS

- (a) The following essential documents and references shall be on file in the administrative office of the clinic:
 - documents evidencing control and ownerships, such as deeds, leases, or incorporation or partnership papers;
 - (2) policies and procedures of the governing authority, as required by Rule .0302 of this Section;
 - (3) minutes of the governing authority meetings;
 - (4) minutes of the clinic's professional and administrative staff meetings;
 - (5) a current copy of the rules of this Subchapter;
 - (6) reports of inspections, reviews, and corrective actions taken related to licensure; and
 - (7) contracts and agreements related to licensure to which the clinic is a party.
- (b) All operating licenses, permits, and certificates shall be displayed on the licensed premises.
- (c) The governing authority shall prepare a manual of clinic policies and procedures for use by employees, medical staff, and contractual physicians to assist them in understanding their responsibilities within the organizational framework of the clinic. These shall include:
 - (1) patient selection and exclusion criteria; and clinical discharge criteria;
 - (2) policy and procedure for validating the full and true name of the patient;
 - (3) policy and procedure for each type of abortion procedure performed at the clinic;
 - (4) policy and procedure for the provision of patient privacy in the recovery area of the clinic;
 - (5) protocol for determining gestational age as defined in Rule .0101(5) of this Subchapter;
 - (6) protocol for referral of patients for whom services have been declined; and
 - (7) protocol for discharge instructions that informs patients who to contact for post-procedural problems and questions.

History Note:

Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10; S.L. 2013-366 s. 4(c);

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10A NCAC 14E .0304 ADMISSION AND DISCHARGE

- (a) There shall be on the premises throughout all hours of operation an employee authorized to receive patients and to make administrative decisions on their disposition.
- (b) All patients shall be admitted only under the care of a physician who is currently licensed to practice medicine in North Carolina.
- (c) Any patient not discharged within 12 hours following the abortion procedure shall be transferred to a general hospital.
- (d) Following admission and prior to obtaining the consent for the procedure, representatives of the clinic's management shall provide to each patient the following information:
 - (1) a fee schedule and any extra charges routinely applied;
 - (2) the name of the attending physician(s) and hospital admitting privileges, if any. In the absence of admitting privileges a statement to that effect shall be included;
 - (3) instructions for post-procedure problems and questions as outlined in Rule .0313(d) of this Section;
 - (4) grievance procedures a patient may follow if dissatisfied with the care and services rendered; and
 - (5) the telephone number for Complaint Intake of the Division.

History Note:

Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

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Amended Eff. October 1, 2015; July 1, 1995; July 1, 1994; December 1, 1989.

10A NCAC 14E .0305 MEDICAL RECORDS

- (a) A complete and permanent record shall be maintained for all patients including:
 - (1) the date and time of admission and discharge;

- (2) the patient's full and true name;
- (3) the patient's address;
- (4) the patient's date of birth;
- (5) the patient's emergency contact information;
- (6) the patient's diagnoses;
- (7) the patient's duration of pregnancy;
- (8) the patient's condition on admission and discharge;
- (9) a voluntarily-signed consent for each surgery or procedure and signature of the physician performing the procedure witnessed by a family member, other patient representative, or facility staff member;
- (10) the patient's history and physical examination including identification of pre-existing or current illnesses, drug sensitivities or other idiosyncrasies having a bearing on the procedure or anesthetic to be administered; and
- (11) documentation that indicates all items listed in Rule .0304(d) of this Section were provided to the patient.
- (b) All other pertinent information such as pre- and post-procedure instructions, laboratory report, drugs administered, report of abortion procedure, and follow-up instruction, including family planning advice, shall be recorded and authenticated by signature, date, and time.
- (c) If Rh is negative, the significance shall be explained to the patient and so recorded. The patient in writing may reject Rh immunoglobulin. A written record of the patient's decision shall be a permanent part of her medical record.
- (d) An ultrasound examination shall be performed and the results, including gestational age, placed in the patient's medical record for any patient who is scheduled for an abortion procedure.
- (e) The clinic shall maintain a daily procedure log of all patients receiving abortion services. This log shall contain at least the following:
 - (1) the patient name;
 - (2) the estimated length of gestation;
 - (3) the type of procedure;
 - (4) the name of physician:
 - (5) the name of Registered Nurse on duty; and
 - (6) the date and time of procedure.
- (f) Medical records shall be the property of the clinic and shall be preserved or retained in the State of North Carolina for a period of not less than 10 years from the date of the most recent discharge, unless the client is a minor, in which case the record must be retained until three years after the client's 18th birthday, regardless of change of clinic ownership or administration. Such medical records shall be made available to the Division upon request and shall not be removed from the premises where they are retained except by subpoena or court order.
- (g) The clinic shall have a written plan for destruction of medical records to identify information to be retained and the manner of destruction to ensure confidentiality of all material.
- (h) Should a clinic cease operation, arrangements shall be made for preservation of records for at least 10 years. The clinic shall send written notification to the Division of these arrangements.

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History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10; S.L. 2013-366, s. 4(c);

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10A NCAC 14E .0306 PERSONNEL RECORDS

- (a) Personnel Records:
 - (1) A record of each employee shall be maintained that includes the following:
 - (A) employee's identification;
 - (B) application for employment that includes education, training, experience and references;
 - (C) resume of education and work experience;
 - (D) verification of valid license (if required), education, training, and prior employment experience; and
 - (E) verification of references.
 - (2) Personnel records shall be confidential.
 - (3) Notwithstanding the requirement found in Subparagraph (b)(2) of this Rule, representatives of

the Division conducting an inspection of the clinic shall have the right to inspect personnel records.

- (b) Job Descriptions:
 - (1) The clinic shall have a written description that describes the duties of every position.
 - (2) Each job description shall include position title, authority, specific responsibilities, and minimum qualifications. Qualifications shall include education, training, experience, special abilities, and valid license or certification required.
 - (3) The clinic shall review annually and, if needed, update all job descriptions. The clinic shall provide the updated job description to each employee or contractual employee assigned to the position.
- (c) All persons having direct responsibility for patient care shall be at least 18 years of age.
- (d) The clinic shall provide an orientation program to familiarize each new employee or contractual employee with the clinic, its policies, and the employee's job responsibilities.
- (e) The governing authority shall be responsible for implementing health standards for employees, as well as contractual employees, which are consistent with recognized professional practices for the prevention and transmission of communicable diseases.
- (f) Employee and contractual employee records for health screening as defined in Rule .0101(7) of this Subchapter, education, training, and verification of professional certification shall be available for review by the Division.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 14-45.1(a1); 143B-10; S.L. 2013-366, s. 4(c);

Eff. February 1, 1976;

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10A NCAC 14E .0307 NURSING SERVICE

- (a) The clinic shall have an organized nursing staff under the supervision of a nursing supervisor who is currently licensed as a Registered Nurse and who has responsibility and accountability for all nursing services.
- (b) The nursing supervisor shall be responsible and accountable to the chief executive officer or designee for:
 - (1) provision of nursing services to patients; and
 - (2) developing a nursing policy and procedure manual and written job descriptions for nursing personnel.
- (c) The clinic shall have the number of licensed and ancillary nursing personnel on duty to assure that staffing levels meet the total nursing needs of patients based on the number of patients in the clinic and their individual nursing care needs.
- (d) There shall be at least one Registered Nurse with experience in post-operative or post-partum care who is currently licensed to practice professional nursing in North Carolina on duty in the clinic at all times patients are in the clinic.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10; S.L. 2013-366, s. 4(c);

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977;

Amended Eff. October 1, 2015; December 1, 1989.

10A NCAC 14E .0308 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- (a) The governing authority shall establish a quality assurance program for the purpose of providing standards of care for the clinic. The program shall include the establishment of a committee that shall evaluate compliance with clinic procedures and policies.
- (b) The committee shall determine corrective action, if necessary.
- (c) The committee shall consist of at least one physician who is not an owner, the chief executive officer or designee, and other health professionals. The committee shall meet at least once per quarter.
- (d) The functions of the committee shall include development of policies for selection of patients, approval for adoption of policies, review of credentials for staff privileges, peer review, tissue inspection, establishment of infection control procedures, and approval of additional procedures to be performed in the clinic.
- (e) Records shall be kept of the activities of the committee for a period not less than 10 years. These records shall include:
 - (1) reports made to the governing authority;
 - (2) minutes of committee meetings including date, time, persons attending, description and results of

cases reviewed, and recommendations made by the committee; and

- (3) information on any corrective action taken.
- (f) Orientation, training, or education programs shall be conducted to correct deficiencies that are uncovered as a result of the quality assurance program.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10; S.L. 2013-366, s. 4(c); Eff. October 1, 2015.

10A NCAC 14E .0309 LABORATORY SERVICES

- (a) Each clinic shall have the capability to provide or obtain laboratory tests required in connection with the procedure to be performed.
- (b) The governing authority shall establish written policies requiring examination by a pathologist of all surgical specimens except for those types of specimens that the governing authority has determined do not require examination.
- (c) Each patient shall have the following performed and a record of the results placed in the patient's medical record prior to the abortion:
 - (1) pregnancy testing, except when a positive diagnosis of pregnancy has been established by ultrasound;
 - (2) anemia testing (hemoglobin or hematocrit); and
 - (3) Rh factor testing.
- (d) Patients requiring the administration of blood shall be transferred to a local hospital having blood bank facilities.
- (e) The clinic shall maintain a manual in a location accessible by employees, that includes the procedures, instructions, and manufacturer's instructions for each test procedure performed, including:
 - (1) sources of reagents, standard and calibration procedures, and quality control procedures; and
 - (2) information concerning the basis for the listed "normal" ranges.
- (f) The clinic shall perform and document, at least quarterly, calibration of equipment and validation of test results.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10; S.L. 2013-366, s. 4(c); Eff. February 1, 1976; Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977; Amended Eff. October 1, 2015; July 1, 1994; December 1, 1989; October 28, 1981.

10A NCAC 14E .0310 EMERGENCY BACK-UP SERVICES

- (a) Each clinic shall have a written plan for the transfer of emergency cases from the clinic to a nearby hospital when hospitalization becomes necessary.
- (b) The clinic shall have procedures, personnel, and suitable equipment to handle medical emergencies which may arise in connection with services provided by the clinic.
- (c) The clinic shall have a written agreement between the clinic and a hospital to facilitate the transfer of patients who are in need of emergency care. A clinic that has documentation of its efforts to establish such a transfer agreement with a hospital that provides emergency services and has been unable to secure such an agreement shall be considered to be in compliance with this Rule.
- (d) The clinic shall provide intervention for emergency situations. These provisions shall include:
 - (1) basic cardio-pulmonary life support;
 - (2) emergency protocols for:
 - (A) administration of intravenous fluids;
 - (B) establishing and maintaining airway support;
 - (C) oxygen administration;
 - (D) utilizing a bag-valve-mask resuscitator with oxygen reservoir;
 - (E) utilizing a suction machine; and
 - (F) utilizing an automated external defibrillator;
 - (3) emergency lighting available in the procedure room as set forth in Rule .0206 of this Subchapter; and
 - (4) ultrasound equipment.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10; S.L. 2013-366, s. 4(c); Eff. February 1, 1976; Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977;

10A NCAC 14E .0311 SURGICAL SERVICES

- (a) The procedure room shall be maintained exclusively for surgical procedures and shall be so designed and maintained to provide an atmosphere free of contamination by pathogenic organisms. The clinic shall establish procedures for infection control and universal precautions.
- (b) Tissue Examination:
 - (1) The physician performing the abortion is responsible for examination of all products of conception (P.O.C.) prior to patient discharge. Such examination shall note specifically the presence or absence of chorionic villi and fetal parts, or the amniotic sac. The results of the examination shall be recorded in the patient's medical record.
 - (2) If adequate tissue is not obtained based on the gestational age, ectopic pregnancy or an incomplete procedure shall be considered and evaluated by the physician performing the procedure.
 - (3) The clinic shall establish procedures for obtaining, identifying, storing, and transporting specimens.

History Note:

Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977;

Amended Eff. October 1, 2015; July 1, 1994; December 1, 1989; November 1, 1984; September 1, 1984.

10A NCAC 14E .0312 MEDICATIONS AND ANESTHESIA

- (a) Medication
 - (1) No medication or treatment shall be given except on written order of a physician.
 - (2) Medications must be administered in accordance with the Nurse Practice Act of the State of North Carolina, and must be recorded in the patient's permanent record.
- (b) Anesthesia
 - (1) The anesthesia must be administered only under the direct supervision of a licensed physician.
 - (2) Flammable anesthetics shall be prohibited except when construction, storage and equipment meet the standards of the National Fire Protection Association (N.F.P.A.) incorporated in Bulletin No. 56, "Code for Use of Flammable Anesthetics."

History Note:

Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977.

10A NCAC 14E .0313 POST-OPERATIVE CARE

- (a) A patient whose pregnancy is terminated on an ambulatory basis shall be observed in the clinic to ensure that no post-operative complications are present. Thereafter, patients may be discharged according to a physician's order and the clinic's protocols.
- (b) Any patient having an adverse condition or complication known or suspected to have occurred during or after the performance of the abortion shall be transferred to a hospital for evaluation or admission.
- (c) The following criteria shall be documented prior to discharge:
 - (1) the patient shall be ambulatory with a stable blood pressure and pulse; and
 - (2) bleeding and pain shall be controlled.
- (d) Written instructions shall be issued to all patients in accordance with the orders of the physician in charge of the abortion procedure and shall include the following:
 - (1) symptoms and complications to be looked for; and
 - (2) a dedicated telephone number to be used by the patients should any complication occur or question arise. This number shall be answered by a person 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
- (e) The clinic shall have a defined protocol for triaging post-operative calls and complications. This protocol shall establish a pathway for physician contact to ensure ongoing care of complications that the operating physician is incapable of managing.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977;

Amended Eff. October 1, 2015; December 24, 1979.

10A NCAC 14E .0314 CLEANING OF MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT

- (a) All supplies and equipment used in patient care shall be properly cleaned or sterilized between use for different patients.
- (b) Methods of cleaning, handling, and storing all supplies and equipment shall be such as to prevent the transmission of infection through their use.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977.

10A NCAC 14E .0315 HOUSEKEEPING

Clinics that are certified by the Division to perform abortions shall meet the standards for sanitation as required by the Division of Public Health, Environmental Health Section, in the rules and regulations governing the sanitation of hospitals, nursing homes, adult care homes, and other institutions, set forth in 15A NCAC 18A .1300, including subsequent amendments and editions, with special emphasis on the following:

- (1) the floors, walls, woodwork and windows must be cleaned, and accumulated waste material must be removed at least daily;
- (2) the premises must be kept free from rodents and insect infestation;
- (3) bath and toilet facilities must be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition at all times; and
- (4) linen that comes directly in contact with the patient shall be provided for each individual patient.

 No such linen shall be interchangeable from one patient to another before being cleaned, sterilized, or laundered.

Copies of 15A NCAC 18A .1300 may be obtained at no charge from the Division of Public Health, Environmental Health Section, 1632 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC, 27699-1632, or accessed electronically free of charge from the Office of Administrative Hearings at http://www.ncoah.com.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977;

Amended Eff. October 1, 2015; December 1, 1989.

10A NCAC 14E .0316 FOOD SERVICE

- (a) Nourishments shall be available and offered to all patients.
- (b) Sanitary conditions shall be maintained in accordance with regulations of the North Carolina Sanitation Code administered by the Division of Environmental Health.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977; Amended Eff. January 1, 1990.

SECTION .0400 - MEDICAL STAFF

10A NCAC 14E .0401 QUALIFICATIONS

Every person admitted to practice in the clinic shall qualify by submitting a signed application in writing which shall contain the following data: age, year and school of graduation, date of licensure, statement of postgraduate work, and experience.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977.

An individual file for each physician practicing in the clinic shall be maintained. Each file shall contain the information outlined in Rule .0401 of this Section.

History Note: Authority G.S. 14-45.1(a); 143B-10;

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 19, 1977.

From: Conley, Azzie
To: Johnson, Linda

Subject: FW: Duke University Medical Center: Quick Question

Date: Tuesday, November 10, 2015 5:16:00 PM

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Will you please respond? Thank you

Azzie Y. Conley, RN

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From: Edgerton, Laurie

Sent: Monday, October 26, 2015 8:49 AM

To: Conley, Azzie

Subject: FW: Duke University Medical Center: Quick Question

Good Morning,

I need to contact the person at Duke who fills out the LRA and ask a few questions about their abortion numbers. I'm following up with you because you are the person who is most likely to know who that person is.

Nobody I've contacted at Duke seems to know.

Thank you for any help you can provide.

Laurie

From: Edgerton, Laurie

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 1:21 PM

To: Conley, Azzie

Subject: RE: Duke University Medical Center: Quick Question

Thank you for getting back to me so quickly!

I don't have access to Duke's LRA, so I can't refer to it. Even my contact at Duke has no clue about who filled out Duke's LRA or where it can be found.

If you have a copy of Duke's LRA, please send me the name of the person who signed that document.

Thank you so much!

Laurie

From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 1:14 PM

To: Edgerton, Laurie

Subject: RE: Duke University Medical Center: Quick Question

It is reported on your annual LRA.

Azzie Y. Conley, RN

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From: Edgerton, Laurie

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 12:48 PM

To: Conley, Azzie

Subject: Duke University Medical Center: Quick Question

Hello Ms. Conley,

I hope you are doing well.

I was wondering, who gives you the abortion services count from Duke University Medical Center? My contact has no idea who that might be. If you have a name and phone number, I would love for you to send them to me.

Thank you so much!

Laurie L. Edgerton

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From: Deporter, Cindy

 To:
 DHHS.DHSR.AcuteHomeCare

 Subject:
 FW: News Clips: June 2, 2015

 Date:
 Tuesday, June 02, 2015 11:26:23 AM

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Sent: Tuesday, June 02, 2015 11:23 AM

To: DHSR.Management.Team

Subject: FW: News Clips: June 2, 2015

From: Lefebvre, Alexandra

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NC DHHS' Forensic Toxicology Laboratory Achieves National Accreditation

B.J. Drye

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Medicaid, competition and accountability

Becki Gray

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Associated Press

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Groups threaten to sue DMV over voter registration problems (DHHS)

BY CRAIG JARVIS

News & Observer; Charlotte Observer

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DHHS Reports More Than 50 Norovirus Outbreaks This Year in NC

Kate Gaier

Time Warner Cable News

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Becky Bereiter

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Natalie Pasquarella

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Gary Robertson

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Mark Binker

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Loretta Boniti

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NC Senate overrides marriage bill veto, OK's abortion bill

BY CRAIG JARVIS AND COLIN CAMPBELL

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Richard Craver

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Nick Ochsner

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Elizabeth Cook, Editor

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Katie Jansen

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Samantha Lachman

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Blue Cross eyes 26 percent hike citing rising medical costs

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Michael Tomsic

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Vast trove of Medicare data details how billions are spent

Ricardo Alonso-Zaldivar

Associated Press

June 1, 2015

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Novel government cancer study will test precision medicine

Marilynn Marchione

Associated Press

June 1, 2015

http://www.wect.com/story/29205987/novel-government-cancer-study-will-test-precision-medicine

Changes Recommended For Medicaid Managed Care

Jay Hancock, Kaiser Health News

Disability Scoop

June 1, 2015

http://www.disabilityscoop.com/2015/06/01/changes-medicaid-managed/20346/

Medicaid cost-sharing demonstrations have netted little revenue so far

Virgil Dickson

Modern Healthcare

June 1, 2015

http://www.modernhealthcare.com/article/20150601/NEWS/150529869/medicaid-cost-sharing-demonstrations-have-netted-little-revenue-so

OPINION

Two for Three (audit)

Editorial

Transylvania Times

June 1, 2015

http://www.transylvaniatimes.com/story/2015/06/01/opinion/two-for-three/22962.html

If reporters were in charge (mentions public records requests, GA)

Patrick Gannon

Greenville Daily Reflector

June 1

http://www.reflector.com/opinion/editorials/gannon-if-reporters-were-charge-2895277

Our View: Housing money misspent while needs unmet

The Fayetteville Observer

June 2, 2015

http://www.fayobserver.com/opinion/editorials/our-view-housing-money-misspent-while-needs-unmet/article_01806d31-627a-5b62-b6ee-95009a23f141.html

Letter: Medicaid expansion would help the state

Greensboro News & Record

June 1, 2015

http://www.greensboro.com/opinion/letters_to_editor/medicaid-expansion-would-help-the-state/article_8a37b8e6-0634-11e5-9838-033d93495250.html

Editorial: An unwelcome delay in sterilization compensation

Winston-Salem Journal

June 1, 2015

http://www.journalnow.com/opinion/editorials/editorial-an-unwelcome-delay-in-sterilization-compensation/article_9f3a131c-0871-11e5-ace1-5334cdc95827.html

Editorial: McCrory shows good sense, independence with vetoes (abortion, magistrates)

News & Observer

June 1, 2015

http://www.newsobserver.com/opinion/editorials/article22828035.html#storylink=cpy

Letter from John H. Baker: Waiting periods for abortions disrespect women

News & Observer

June 1, 2015

http://www.newsobserver.com/opinion/letters-to-the-editor/article22821390.html#storylink=cpy

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From: McKillip, Matthew

To: Sholar, Adam; Milliken, Emery
Subject: Fwd: filed bills update

Date: Friday, March 27, 2015 8:07:07 AM

FYI

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Sholar, Adam" < Adam.Sholar@dhhs.nc.gov>

Date: March 27, 2015 at 7:37:17 AM EDT

To: "Wos, Aldona" < Aldona. Wos@dhhs.nc.gov >

Cc: "McKillip, Matthew" < Matt.McKillip@dhhs.nc.gov >, "Womble, C. Trent"

<<u>Trent.Womble@dhhs.nc.gov</u>> **Subject: filed bills update**

Secretary,

Yesterday was the Senate bill filing deadline. Nearly 200 bills were filed by the time the day ended. For the session, there have been 711 bills filed in the Senate. I write just to make sure you are aware of several that were filed yesterday.

- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->S 705 filed by Sens. Hise, Pate, and Tucker would essentially provide for a bid process for the Dorothea Dix property to be sold and halt the current arrangement with the City of Raleigh
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->S 703 filed by Sen. Berger would require DHHS, DMA to transform the Medicaid program by putting everything out to bid to three statewide managed care organizations that would assume full risk for all Medicaid benefits
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->S 702 filed by Sen. Apodaca would repeal the Certificate of Need laws in the state and also repeal the Certificate of Public Advantage (COPA) law that mission hospital operates under

- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->S 701 filed by Sens. Brown and Hise would end the primary care case management system on January 1, 2016 and prohibit us from renewing or extending the contract we have with N3CN (CCNC). The bills says the GA would use the approximately \$172M in saved state and federal funds to mitigate the lessened reimbursement to primary care providers
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->S 700 filed by Sens. Wells and Rucho would take the hospitals local and state sales tax refunds by capping the local sales tax refunds at \$30K and the state sales tax refund at \$70K
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->S 696 filed by Sen. Hise would do essentially what the Senate's Medicaid reform plan from last summer would have done a board (3 Governor appointed members, 4 GA appointed members, and the Secretary of HHS as a non-voting member) over DMA with DMA operating independently from DHHS, competition between regional provider-led and non-provider-led health plans
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->S 676 filed by Sens. Apodaca and Krawiec would include autism spectrum disorder in the insurance mental health parity statute and create a mandate for NC health benefits plans to provide coverage for screening, diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorders for those under age 18, including coverage for adaptive behavioral treatment up to a cap of \$40K per year
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->S 604 filed by Sens. Randleman, Krawiec, and Daniel makes changes to the abortion laws by requiring us to inspect clinics annually, preventing those under age 18 from working there, and by requiring a clinic to have a transfer agreement with a hospital; the bill would also provide additional information to DHHS for abortions performed after the 16th week of pregnancy; the bill would create a perinatal resource center at UNC-CH to serve families with complications detected by prenatal diagnosis; and the bill makes a few other minor changes to various statutes
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->S 574 filed by Sens. Jackson, Pate, and Tucker is a short placeholder bill for Medicaid reform
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->S 568 filed by Sen. Tarte is his healthcare transformation bill that would transform the state health plan, Medicaid, and Health Choice using primary care medical homes and at-risk provider-led organizations and, it seems, commercial health insurers for what could be a Medicaid expansion population but it isn't immediately clear

On Wednesday, the following were filed:

- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->S 453 filed by Sens. Wade, Brock, and Jackson would make various regulatory changes across state and local government (commonly called "regulatory reform"), including several recommendations made by us around mental health provider licensing and public health licensure of multiple businesses in one location
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->S 423 and S 424 filed by Sens. Barringer, Harrington, and Tucker would make various changes to various laws to increase the age of foster care aging out and to provide for greater normalcy in foster children's lives. Sherry Bradsher attended the press conference to announce the filing of these two bills.

I hope this is helpful.

Adam

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From: <u>Horton, Rita</u>

To: <u>Conley, Azzie; Mccarty, Debbie; Ethridge, Lynn</u>

Subject: IJ intake - Abortion Clinic

Date: Monday, November 02, 2015 3:11:34 PM

Please see NC00111857

Rita C. Horton

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From: Horton, Rita

To: <u>Pratt, Drexdal; Christian, Patsy; Ouimet, Cheryl; Conley, Azzie</u>

Subject: news article - abortion clinic

Date: Monday, November 02, 2015 2:27:36 PM

Good afternoon:

Our Complaint Intake staff are receiving calls about a news article on a website, Operation Rescue (http://www.operationrescue.org/archives/one-hour-from-death-abortion-patient-warns-of-incompetence-squalor-at-north-carolina-abortion-mill/). Most of the calls are not actually complaints and from people out of state. People are calling because they have read the article, and the article directs people to call our agency to demand an inspection.

I will be entering a complaint based on the information in the article.

Thank You, Rita C. Horton

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From: <u>Christopher Brook</u>
To: <u>Hogle Paul</u>

Subject: Re: Your Public Records Request- 14-45.1

Date: Thursday, April 14, 2016 11:31:45 AM

Attachments: image002.png image003.png

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Paul,

Good talking to you just now. Thanks so much for your assistance here.

In regards to the drafts, thanks for the guidance on how to access those. We will proceed accordingly and let you know if we have any follow up questions on point.

In regards to individual email accounts, as we discussed, we would like to extend our request to include the following four individuals not previously included in the request: Dr Isa Cherin, Women's and Children's Health Section of the Division of Public Health at DHHS; Azzie Conley, Section Chief for Acute Home Care and Licensure and Certification Section, N C Division of Health Service Regulation of DHHS; Emery Edwards Milliken, DHHS General Counsel; and Manjoo Mittal, State Center for Health Statistics, DHHS The nature of our request and applicable search terms remain the same

Thanks again and please let me know if you need further information from me on point

Regards, Chris

On Thu, Apr 14, 2016 at 10:25 AM, Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs nc.gov > wrote:

Hi Chris,

Thank you for sharing your concerns. The drafts were included as attachments in the email exchanges provided. I'm happy to call and walk you through how to access them, but you should be able to double click the attachment (should appear in blue at top of email) and it will appear as a separate document. I am told that this process was done largely through email, and provided non-email docs identified as responsive on 12/17/15.

My notes indicate we spoke ~12/14/15 about limiting your search to the individuals enumerated in your initial request (rather than all DHHS accounts), and that you might subsequently expand or submit follow-up requests based on that production.

Those individual emails accounts belonged to:

(1) Rick Brajer, Secretary, DHHS; (2) Eleanor Howell, Director, State Center for Health Statistics; (3) Matt Avery, Supervisor, Vital Statistics; (4) Laurie L. Edgerton, Statistical Research Assistant, State Center for Health Statistics; (5) Randall Williams, Deputy Secretary of Health Services.

All those accounts were searched and you were provided with the resulting documents. You should have received 4 batches of emails (and their attachments) as .pdfs labeled Batch 1, Batch 2, Batch 3, and Batch 4 on 02/16/16. The remaining responsive public docs were supplied on 03/01/16 in a .pdf labelled Batch 5. Additionally, you should have received 4 .pdfs on 12/17/15.

Please let me know if you did not receives any of the .pdfs or you have any further questions or concerns. Please don't hesitate to call if that would be easier- I should be at my desk for most of the day.

Warmest regards,

Paul Hogle, J.D.

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From: Christopher Brook [mailto:cbrook@acluofnc.org]

Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2016 4:47 PM
To: Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs.nc.gov>
Subject: Re: Your Public Records Request- 14-45.1

Paul,

We've reviewed the documents produced in response to our document request, and it appears to us that that there may be documents that were not produced that are within the scope of the request.

- We did not receive any drafts of the revised Confidential Induced Abortion Case Report form (DHHS 1891 (Revised 11/2015)) that are in DHHS's custody. We reiterate our request that DHHS produce all drafts of that form that are in DHHS's custody, as well as all DHHS communications relating to the preparation, review, and use of that form.
- · It is also not clear to us that DHHS's production in response to our original request included documents in the custody of, and/or communications involving, the following DHHS employees. Accordingly, we reiterate our request that DHHS produce all documents and communications responsive to our original request (including those identified in the preceding bullet point) in the custody of:
- o Dr. Isa Cherin, Women's and Children's Health Section of the Division of Public Health at DHHS;
- o Azzie Conley, Section Chief for Acute Home Care and Licensure and Certification Section, N.C. Division of Health Service Regulation of DHHS;
- o Emery Edwards Milliken, DHHS General Counsel;
- o Manjoo Mittal, State Center for Health Statistics, DHHS; and
- o Dr. Randall Williams, Deputy Secretary for Health Services at DHHS

Thank you for your attention to this matter and I look forward to your feedback.

Regards, Chris

C	n Tue, Mar 1, 2016 at 6:55 PM, Christopher Brook < <u>cbrook@acluofnc.org</u> > wrote:				
	Paul,				
	Thank you for passing these along and for your prompt updates during the course of this process.				
	We look forward to reviewing and will let you know if we have any questions once we have done so.				
	Regards,				
	Chris				
	On Tue, Mar 1, 2016 at 1:40 PM, Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs.nc.gov > wrote:				
	Hi Chris,				
	I'm sorry this took longer than I hoped/anticipated. Attached please find the remainder of the documents responsive to you attached.	our request			
	Thank you for your public records request to NC DHHS. Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions or concerns.				
	Warmest regards,				
	Paul Hogle, J.D.				
	Legal Communications Specialist				
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From: Christopher Brook [mailto:cbrook@acluofnc.org]

Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2016 11:00 AM **To:** Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: Re: Your Public Records Request- 14-45.1 - EMAIL 1 OF 4

Paul,

The sun has just now broken through so things seem to be heading in the right direction. I fared just fine, though I was happy to be able to get out of the house today. It doesn't take long to get a little cabin fever.

Thanks so much for passing along these documents.

Any thoughts on when the remaining documents being reviewed might be released?

Thanks again,

Chris

On Tue, Feb 16, 2016 at 10:46 AM, Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs nc.gov > wrote:

Good morning Chris,

I wasn't able to get far from my neighborhood yesterday, so my ability to work was pretty limited. Other than the minor inconveniences (and indignities associated with unsteadiness on ice), I fared well, thanks. Hope you did as well. Fingers crossed the weekend makes-up for it.

Attached please find some of the documents responsive to your request. There will be 3 subsequent emails immediately following this one. You should receive a total of four .pdfs.

More will be released as they're processed. Please let me know if you have any issues accessing the attachment.

As always, please don't hesitate to call/follow-up on the status of your request. Warmest regards, Paul Hogle, J.D. Legal Communications Specialist Office of Communications, Public Records North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services 919 855 4838 office 919 733 7447 fax paul.hogle@dhhs.nc.gov 101 Blair Drive, Adams Building 2001 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-2001 Nothing Compares Email correspondence to and from this address is subject to the North Carolina Public Records Law and may be disclosed to third parties. Twitter YouTube Unauthorized disclosure of juvenile, health, legally privileged, or otherwise confidential information, including confidential information relating to an ongoing State procurement effort, is prohibited by law. If you have received this e-mail in error, please notify the sender immediately and delete all records of this e-mail. From: Christopher Brook [mailto:<u>cbrook@acluofnc.org</u>] **Sent:** Monday, February 15, 2016 10:38 AM To: Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs.nc.gov> Subject: Re: Your Public Records Request- 14-45.1 Documents Paul, Thanks for this update. I hope you are coming through this most recent rash of weather alright. Regards,

Chris

On Mon, Feb 15, 2016 at 8:00 AM, Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs nc.gov > wrote:		
	Hi Chris,	
	Given the weather, it looks like tomorrow is more realistic. We've done the majority of the review. If our tech issues are not worked out, I have a work around and will get them to you asap.	
	Warmest regards,	
	Paul	
	From: Christopher Brook <cbrook@acluofnc.org> Sent: Saturday, February 13, 2016 11:37 AM To: Hogle, Paul Subject: Re: Your Public Records Request- 14-45.1 Documents</cbrook@acluofnc.org>	
	Paul,	
	Thanks so much for this update. I hope you have a good weekend as well.	
	Regards,	
	Chris	
	On Fri, Feb 12, 2016 at 3:48 PM, Hogle, Paul < <u>Paul.Hogle@dhhs.nc.gov</u> > wrote:	
	My pleasure, sir. We are having tech. difficulties with some files- it may be Monday before we send the first batch. I apologize for not being able to deliver them today.	
	If I don't speak to you beforehand, I hope you have a safe and happy weekend.	
	Warmest regards,	
	Paul Hogle, J.D.	
	Legal Communications Specialist	
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Thank you for following up. Please don't hesitate to continue to do so.

Warmest regards, Paul Hogle, J.D. Legal Communications Specialist Office of Communications, Public Records North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services 919 855 4838 office 919 733 7447 fax paul.hogle@dhhs.nc.gov 101 Blair Drive, Adams Building 2001 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-2001 Nothing Compares Email correspondence to and from this address is subject to the North Carolina Public Records Law and may be disclosed to third parties. Twitter YouTube Unauthorized disclosure of juvenile, health, legally privileged, or otherwise confidential information, including confidential information relating to an ongoing State procurement effort, is prohibited by law. If you have received this e-mail in error, please notify the sender immediately and delete all records of this e-mail. **From:** Christopher Brook [mailto:<u>cbrook@acluofnc.org</u>] Sent: Wednesday, February 10, 2016 4:25 PM To: Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs.nc.gov> Subject: Re: Your Public Records Request- 14-45.1 Documents Paul, Just wanted to touch base with you again here regarding your progress in reviewing our request. Thanks so much for your attention to this matter.

Regards,

On Mon, Jan 25, 2016 at 3:47 PM, Christopher Brook cbrook@acluofnc.org wrote:

Thanks so much for the update! Much obliged.

Regards,

Chris

Chris

On Mon, Jan 25, 2016 at 3:46 PM, Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs nc.gov > wrote:

I'm pleased to hear it. We are continuing the review of your docs, with around 900 potentially responsive remaining.

Warmest regards,

Paul Hogle, J.D.

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From: Christopher Brook [mailto:<u>cbrook@acluofnc.org</u>]

Sent: Monday, January 25, 2016 9:57 AM **To:** Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: Re: Your Public Records Request- 14-45.1 Documents

Glad to hear it. We didn't lose power and I was able to get into work today without much trouble so, all things considered, I can't complain.

Regards,

Chris

On Mon, Jan 25, 2016 at 9:31 AM, Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs nc.gov > wrote:

My pleasure. We fared well, considering. I hope things went as smoothly in your neck of the woods.

Warmest regards,

Paul Hogle, J.D.

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From: Christopher Brook [mailto:cbrook@acluofnc.org] Sent: Thursday, January 21, 2016 5:43 PM To: Hogle, Paul <paul.hogle@dhhs.nc.gov> Cc: Hausman, Phillip <phillip.hausman@dhhs.nc.gov> Subject: Re: Your Public Records Request- 14-45.1 Documents</phillip.hausman@dhhs.nc.gov></paul.hogle@dhhs.nc.gov>	
Paul,	
Thanks so much for this update.	
Best of luck with this weather, Chris	
On Thursday, January 21, 2016, Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs nc.gov> wrote: Hi Chris,	
The emails are being reviewed as we speak, with ~1100 remaining.	
Have a safe and happy weekend, if I don't hear from you beforehand.	
Warmest regards,	
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From: Christopher Brook [mailto:cbrook@acluofnc.org]

Sent: Thursday, January 21, 2016 10:35 AM **To:** Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs.nc.gov>

Cc: Hausman, Phillip < Phillip.Hausman@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: Re: Your Public Records Request- 14-45.1 Documents

Paul,

I just wanted to check in with you regarding the status of your review of items responsive to our public record request. Thanks, in advance, for your feedback.

Regards,

Chris

On Tue, Jan 12, 2016 at 2:31 PM, Christopher Brook cbrook@acluofnc.org> wrote:

Paul,

Thanks for this update.

I will touch base with you next week to see where things are at.

Regards,

Chris

On Tue, Jan 12, 2016 at 1:55 PM, Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs nc.gov > wrote:

Hi Chris,

The email search has been completed and returned \sim 2100 responsive items. The search did not return any responsive items in Sec. Brajer's account.

We have not yet begun the review for legally protected material, but I hope to begin that process this week.

Warmest regards,

Paul Hogle, J.D.

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From: Christopher Brook [mailto:cbrook@acluofnc.org]

Sent: Wednesday, January 06, 2016 5:12 PM **To:** Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs.nc.gov>

Cc: Hausman, Phillip < Phillip.Hausman@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: Re: Your Public Records Request- 14-45.1 Documents

Paul,
Happy New Year! I hope your 2016 is off to a good start.
I wanted to touch base with you regarding the status of DHHS's response to our December 4th public record request.
Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to your feedback.
Regards, Chris
On Thu, Dec 17, 2015 at 9:14 AM, Christopher Brook < <u>cbrook@acluofnc.org</u> > wrote: Paul,
Thanks for passing along these documents. I greatly appreciate it.
Happy holidays to you as well! Chris
On Thu, Dec 17, 2015 at 9:04 AM, Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs nc.gov> wrote: Mr. Brook,
Please find a portion of the public documents pursuant to your public records request attached here. While we are still in the process of gathering and identifying other responsive records, I wanted to send these along as promptly as possible.
Please don't hesitate to follow-up or otherwise contact me if you have any questions or concerns.
Warmest regards and Happy Holidays!,
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From: Christopher Brook [mailto:cbrook@acluofnc.org] Sent: Monday, December 14, 2015 4:30 PM
To: Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs nc.gov> Cc: Hausman, Phillip < Phillip. Hausman@dhhs nc.gov> Subject: Re: Your Public Records Request- 14-45.1 Documents
Paul,
Thanks so much for your assistance here.
Happy holidays!
Chris
On Mon, Dec 14, 2015 at 3:24 PM, Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs.nc.gov> wrote:
Hi Chris,
Absolutely! I've submitted the request to our IT folks, limiting, at least initially, to the individuals you identified.

Please feel free to follow-up any time. Warmest regards, Paul Hogle, J.D. Legal Communications Specialist Office of Communications, Public Records North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services 919 855 4838 office 919 733 7447 fax paul.hogle@dhhs.nc.gov 101 Blair Drive, Adams Building 2001 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-2001 Nothing Compares Email correspondence to and from this address is subject to the North Carolina Public Records Law and may be disclosed to third parties. Twitter YouTube Unauthorized disclosure of juvenile, health, legally privileged, or otherwise confidential information, including confidential information relating to an ongoing State procurement effort, is prohibited by law. If you have received this e-mail in error, please notify the sender immediately and delete all records of this e-mail. From: Christopher Brook [mailto:cbrook@acluofnc.org] Sent: Friday, December 11, 2015 5:24 PM To: Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs.nc.gov> Cc: Hausman, Phillip < Phillip.Hausman@dhhs.nc.gov> Subject: Re: Your Public Records Request- 14-45.1 Documents Paul, I got your voice mail message and consulted with the other interested parties here.

DHHS email addresses, provided, of course, we can always subsequently seek broader returns from all DHHS email address.
Thanks again for your assistance here and please let me know if you require further information.
Have a great weekend, Chris
On Thu, Dec 10, 2015 at 4:03 PM, Christopher Brook < <u>cbrook@acluofnc.org</u> > wrote:
Paul, Thanks so much for this feedback. Please do not hesitate to be in touch if I can provide further information here.
Regards, Chris
On Thu, Dec 10, 2015 at 9:23 AM, Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs nc.gov > wrote: Hi Chris,
Thanks so much for your help. I've submitted your request to our IT staff, who will begin the query and email pull.
The other portions of your request have been forwarded to appropriate staff who are working on identifying and gathering responsive documents.
If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to follow-up.
Warmest regards,
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From: Christopher Brook [mailto:cbrook@acluofnc.org] Sent: Wednesday, December 09, 2015 10:49 AM
To: Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs.nc.gov>
Cc: Hausman, Phillip.Hausman@dhhs.nc.gov>; public.records
<pre><public.records@dhhs.nc.gov> Subject: Re: Your Public Records Request- 14-45.1 Documents</public.records@dhhs.nc.gov></pre>
Mr. Hogle,
Thank you for this response. Attached below is information responsive to your requests for further information. Please let me know if I can provide further assistance here.
Regards,
Chris
Email Account(S) To Re Centured in Your Search (av. Emails to an from John Dog. John
• Email Account(S) To Be Captured in Your Search (ex: Emails to or from John Doe, John Doe's Email, or john.doe@dhhs.nc.gov):
All DHHS email addresses, including but not limited to those of (1) Rick Brajer, Secretary,
DHHS; (2) Eleanor Howell, Director, State Center for Health Statistics; (3) Matt Avery,

Supervisor, Vital Statistics; (4) Laurie L. Edgerton, Statistical Research Assistant, State Center for Health Statistics; (5) Randall Williams, Deputy Secretary of Health Services
Date Range To Be Searched:
March 1, 2015 through December 9, 2015
Desired Key Words Or Search Terms:
Session Law 2015-62 or SL 2015-62 or 2015-62
14-45.1(b1)
House Bill 465 or HB 465
Ultrasound
Sonogram
Abortion
Unborn child
Fetus
Gestational age
Induced abortion case report
Form 1891
Embryonic crown rump
Gestational sac
Biparietal Diameter
Cephalic Index
Fetal Femur Length
Head Circumference
Occipitofrontal Diameter
Abdominal Circumference
Statistical purposes only
20 weeks + abortion
After 16 weeks + abortion
Thorp
Randall Williams [or just "Williams" alone] + ultrasound
Randall Williams [or just "Williams" alone] + induced abortion case report/Form 1891
Deputy Secretary + ultrasound

On Fri, Dec 4, 2015 at 4:14 PM, Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs nc.gov > wrote: Mr. Brook, Thank you for your public records request. This email is to acknowledge the Department of Health and Human Services has received your request for: (1) All documents in DHHS's custody, and all DHHS communications, that relate in any way to N.C. Gen Stat. § 14-45.l(bl), including but not limited to DHHS use or anticipated use of the information that a qualified physician must submit pursuant to N.C. Gen Stat. § 14-45.l(bl); (2) All documents in DHHS's custody, and all DHHS communications, that relate in any way to the preparation of the revised Confidential Induced Abortion Case Report form; (3) All documents in DHHS's custody, and all DHHS communications, that relate in any way to the collection and retention of the Confidential Induced Abortion Case Report form and ultrasound images, including measures to ensure their confidentiality; (4) All documents in DHHS's custody, and all DHHS communications, that relate in any way to any person who will review, analyze, or have any other responsibilities related to the information qualified physicians must submit to DHHS pursuant to § 14-45.I (b1). We are in the process of identifying what, if any, public records are responsive to your request, the location of those records, and assessing the resources required to fulfill your request. Please note that if there will be a charge associated with fulfilling your request, we will contact you prior to any charge being assessed. For additional information, the current cost schedule is available at http://www.ncdhhs.gov/control/pub_recs_charge.pdf.

In your request, you've asked for access to communications, some of which may be comprised of emails. In order to serve you better and help our IT staff more quickly and effectively identify emails responsive to your request, please provide the following information, for each email or correspondence search/query requested:

• Email Account(S) To Be Captured in Your Search (ex: Emails to or from John Doe, John Doe's Email, or john.doe@dhhs.nc.gov):
Date Range To Be Searched:
Desired Key Words Or Search Terms:
I am copying Phil Hausman (my Public Records colleague), as well as our service account on this email in the event you need immediate assistance and I am unavailable. Otherwise, please consider me your primary contact for this request.
NC DHHS is committed to responding to your request as promptly as possible. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, concerns, or you feel we may be able to help further tailor your search.
Again, thank you for your public records request to NC DHHS.
Sincerely,
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From: Jodi Robertson
To: Conley, Azzie

Subject: Re: Abortion clinic renewal appliction

Date: Saturday, November 07, 2015 1:45:30 PM

Thank you!

On Sat, Nov 7, 2015 at 1:26 PM, Conley, Azzie azzie.conley@dhhs.nc.gov wrote: They are reminders.

From: Jodi Robertson < womenshealth 27704@gmail.com >

Sent: Saturday, November 7, 2015 10:57:25 AM

To: Conley, Azzie

Subject: Abortion clinic renewal appliction

Ms. Conley,

I have the renewal application and fee ready to send in but I am unsure what to do with the last 3 pages of the application. 1 page is the NC Abortion Statute and the other 2 are the front and back of the Induced Abortion Case Report; do I need to initial these and send them back?

I left you a phone message Friday afternoon, but thought email might be an easier to communicate.

Thank you for your help,

Jodi Robertson, Sole Director/President North Durham Women's Health, Inc. 400-B Crutchfield St Durham, NC 2704

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From: Conley, Azzie Johnson, Linda To: Subject: **RE: Abortion Files**

Date: Thursday, December 03, 2015 9:37:00 AM

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Thank you

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From: Johnson, Linda

Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 9:19 AM

To: Johnson, Linda Cc: Conley, Azzie

Subject: Abortion Files

Good morning Gaye,

The abortion files that were in my cart yesterday are in the cubical waiting to be filed, or you can leave them until we meet on mailing out the licenses and filing the LRA.

Linda M. Johnson Administrative Assistant II Division of Heath Service Regulation, Acute and HomeCare North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services

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From: Conley, Azzie
To: Stancil, Gaye S
Cc: Johnson, Linda
Subject: RE: abortion files

Date: Tuesday, December 01, 2015 3:27:00 PM

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From: Stancil, Gaye S

Sent: Tuesday, December 01, 2015 3:24 PM

To: Conley, Azzie **Cc:** Johnson, Linda

Subject: RE: abortion files

Azzie, are you referring to the 2015 applications?

Regards,

Gaye Stancil

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From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Tuesday, December 01, 2015 10:01 AM **To:** Stancil, Gaye S < sqaye.stancil@dhhs.nc.gov **Cc:** Johnson, Linda < linda.m.johnson@dhhs.nc.gov

Subject: abortion files

Gaye:

Two folk from health statistics will arrive at 9:00AM in the morning to review the LRAs in the abortion files. Please pull and place in my office. Thank you.

Linda:

Will you please be available for questions as needed? Thank you

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From: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>
To: <u>Lefebvre, Alexandra</u>

Subject: Re: AP calling re: abortion clinic rules

Date: Saturday, December 05, 2015 7:21:06 PM

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Enjoy you weekend!

From: Lefebvre, Alexandra

Sent: Saturday, December 5, 2015 7:28:57 AM

To: Conley, Azzie

Subject: Re: AP calling re: abortion clinic rules

Got them but thank you so much!!

Alex

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 4, 2015, at 10:23 PM, Conley, Azzie <a requirements of azzie.conley@dhhs.nc.gov wrote:

I was out of the office. If you still need the list, I will forward Monday. Thank you!

From: Lefebvre, Alexandra

Sent: Friday, December 4, 2015 1:45:26 PM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine; Conley, Azzie

Cc: Pratt, Drexdal; Murphy, Kate; Jones, Jim; James, Olivia

Subject: RE: AP calling re: abortion clinic rules

Got everything here (Thanks, Drexdal!) except clinics. Azzie are you able to pull those?

http://www2.ncdhhs.gov/dhsr/rules/ab2014.html

Best,

Alex

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From: Lefebvre, Alexandra

Sent: Friday, December 04, 2015 1:28 PM

To: Pfeiffer, Nadine < <u>nadine.pfeiffer@dhhs.nc.gov</u>>; Conley, Azzie

<azzie.conley@dhhs.nc.gov>

Cc: Pratt, Drexdal < <u>drexdal.pratt@dhhs.nc.gov</u>>; Murphy, Kate

< "> (Mate.Murphy@dhhs.nc.gov">"> (Jones, Jim < "> (Olivia James)

<<u>olivia.james@dhhs.nc.gov</u>>

Subject: FW: AP calling re: abortion clinic rules

Importance: High

Good afternoon,

The reporter's follow-up is:

What are the 16 clinics?

What is the link with the rules?

What was the date of the public meeting (Drexdal thought somketime in September)?

Thanks!

Alex

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From: Lefebvre, Alexandra

Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 5:44 PM **To:** 'Robertson, Gary' < grobertson@ap.org> **Subject:** RE: AP calling re: abortion clinic rules

Thanks!

Drexdal Pratt, DHSR and Deputy Secretary Dr. Randall Williams.

Alex

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From: Robertson, Gary [mailto:grobertson@ap.org]

Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 5:43 PM

To: Lefebvre, Alexandra < <u>Alexandra.Lefebvre@dhhs.nc.gov</u>>

Subject: RE: AP calling re: abortion clinic rules

Call at 1 p.m. at my office number, please. Who will be on the phone?

Gary

From: Lefebvre, Alexandra [mailto:Alexandra.Lefebvre@dhhs.nc.gov]

Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 5:42 PM

To: Robertson, Gary

Subject: RE: AP calling re: abortion clinic rules

Thanks, Gary. Does 1 p.m. work tomorrow? If so, shall we call your office or cell?

Alex

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From: Robertson, Gary [mailto:grobertson@ap.org]
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 12:09 PM

To: Lefebvre, Alexandra <<u>Alexandra.Lefebvre@dhhs.nc.gov</u>>

Subject: RE: AP calling re: abortion clinic rules

It can be tomorrow.

Gary

From: Lefebvre, Alexandra [mailto:Alexandra.Lefebvre@dhhs.nc.gov]

Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 12:08 PM

To: Gerlach, Kendra; Robertson, Gary

Cc: Murphy, Kate

Subject: RE: AP calling re: abortion clinic rules

Hi Gary,

I will reach out to staff. Is your deadline today or can it be extended to tomorrow?

Hope you had a nice holiday.

Best,

Alex

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From: Gerlach, Kendra

Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 11:49 AM **To:** Gary Robertson < grobertson@ap.org>

Cc: Murphy, Kate < Kate.Murphy@dhhs.nc.gov; Lefebvre, Alexandra

<<u>Alexandra.Lefebvre@dhhs.nc.gov</u>>

Subject: RE: AP calling re: abortion clinic rules

Hi Gary,

Thanks for reaching out. I do recall our brief conversation. I am sharing you message with Alex to begin following up on your request.

Many thanks, Kendra

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From: Robertson, Gary [mailto:grobertson@ap.org]
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 11:16 AM

To: Gerlach, Kendra < <u>Kendra.Gerlach@dhhs.nc.gov</u>>

Subject: AP calling re: abortion clinic rules

Kendra.

Hello. Per our recent brief conversation, I told you I was interested in the status of the proposed rules for "Certifications of Clinics for Abortion" that were released on Dec. 1,2014, based on a law that was signed into law in July 2013.

I would like to speak in person or on the phone with Mr. Pratt in the Division of Health Service Regulation or someone else with expertise about these rules.

My questions include:

- _ What is the status of these rules?
- _ What has happened since these rules were proposed and

the comments were received by the Jan. 30 public comment period? Why has it taken so long to create final rules?

- _ When will final rules be adopted? What are the next steps after their adoption?
- _ Which stakeholder groups have been involved in the process since the public comment period ended?

I may send a separate public records request to seek other specific information.

Thanks and let me know if you have any questions.

Gary



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From: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>

To: <u>Jones-vessey</u>, <u>Kathleen</u>

Subject: RE: DHSR Abortion totals for 2009-present Date: Tuesday, December 01, 2015 9:59:00 AM

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Sounds good.

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Sent: Tuesday, December 01, 2015 9:58 AM

To: Conley, Azzie

Subject: RE: DHSR Abortion totals for 2009-present

Sounds good. Laurie Edgerton and April Duval will be there tomorrow morning – around 9 a.m.. I'll have them ask for you at the front desk.

Thanks, Kathleen

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From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Tuesday, December 01, 2015 9:39 AM

To: Jones-vessey, Kathleen

Subject: RE: DHSR Abortion totals for 2009-present

We are in walking business to the Adams Building.

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From: Jones-vessey, Kathleen

Sent: Tuesday, December 01, 2015 9:28 AM

To: Conley, Azzie

Subject: RE: DHSR Abortion totals for 2009-present

Great – they can stop by tomorrow (Wed) morning at 9 a.m. If they can't complete it all at that time, then they might also come on Thursday morning as well. When you get a chance, can you send info on how to get there – e.g. directions, parking, & how they can access your bldg.?

Thanks, Kathleen

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From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 9:02 PM

To: Jones-vessey, Kathleen

Cc: Howell, Eleanor

Subject: Re: DHSR Abortion totals for 2009-present

Any day this week is good.

From: Jones-vessey, Kathleen

Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 5:06:31 PM

To: Conley, Azzie **Cc:** Howell, Eleanor

Subject: RE: DHSR Abortion totals for 2009-present

Hi Azzie,

I just wanted to check back in with you regarding this. I guess those dates/times didn't work for you. If you could just let me know a good date for this, then I'll consult with the staff who would be assisting us with this. In general, I believe that 9 am-noon would work best for these staff.

Kathleen

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Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2015 2:56 PM

To: Conley, Azzie

Cc: Howell, Eleanor

Subject: RE: DHSR Abortion totals for 2009-present

Okay, that doesn't sound too bad. So I think two of my staff (Laurie Edgerton & April Duval) are available to help tomorrow or Tuesday morning, after 9 a.m.. Just let me know if which date would work best for you. Directions & parking information would also be helpful as don't think that either have been to DHSR before.

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Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2015 2:27 PM

To: Jones-vessey, Kathleen

Cc: Howell, Eleanor

Subject: RE: DHSR Abortion totals for 2009-present

Manual file review to pull the data.

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From: Jones-vessey, Kathleen

Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2015 2:25 PM

To: Conley, Azzie **Cc:** Howell, Eleanor

Subject: RE: DHSR Abortion totals for 2009-present

I'm down 4 staff right now, but I'll see what I can do. Before I send anyone over there, can you tell me what is involved with pulling this information? I just want to be sure I send the right staff.

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From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2015 2:23 PM

To: Jones-vessey, Kathleen

Cc: Howell, Eleanor

Subject: RE: DHSR Abortion totals for 2009-present

Kathleen

We have not starting compiling this data related to other workload priorities. Do you have staff available to assist?

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From: Jones-vessey, Kathleen

Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2015 12:44 PM

To: Conley, Azzie **Cc:** Howell, Eleanor

Subject: RE: DHSR Abortion totals for 2009-present

Hi Azzie,

I was just checking back on this. Any idea when this might be complete? Dr. Williams is very much interested in these comparisons going back in time.

Thanks, Kathleen

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From: Jones-vessey, Kathleen

Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2015 11:42 AM

To: Conley, Azzie **Cc:** Howell, Eleanor

Subject: RE: DHSR Abortion totals for 2009-present

Importance: High

I understand – I realize that this involves a lot of manual work. Just let me know what is a realistic timeframe for this. If there's anything that my staff can do to assist with this, please let me know.

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From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2015 11:26 AM

To: Jones-vessey, Kathleen

Cc: Howell, Eleanor

Subject: RE: DHSR Abortion totals for 2009-present

This will require a manual review of files from 2009 – and time to collect data.

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From: Jones-vessey, Kathleen

Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2015 10:52 AM

To: Conley, Azzie **Cc:** Howell, Eleanor

Subject: DHSR Abortion totals for 2009-present

Importance: High

Hi Azzie,

Dr. Williams has asked us to compare SCHS abortion totals by facility with DHSR figures for a longer time period – specifically, from 2009-forward. As soon as possible, could you please send us abortion totals from 2009-present by facility, as documented in your DHSR annual licensure renewal reports? We currently have this information for the Oct 1, 2013 to Sept 30, 2014 time period – so no need to send that to us that report again, however.

Feel free to give me a call if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Best regards, Kathleen

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From: Conley, Azzie
To: Hogle, Paul
Cc: Hausman, Phillip
Subject: RE: documents

Date: Tuesday, November 24, 2015 5:07:00 PM

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You are welcome.

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From: Hogle, Paul

Sent: Tuesday, November 24, 2015 4:52 PM

To: Conley, Azzie
Cc: Hausman, Phillip
Subject: RE: documents

Thank you so much- We will pick them up tomorrow.

Have a wonderful Holiday!

Warmest regards,

Paul Hogle, J.D.

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From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Tuesday, November 24, 2015 4:36 PM **To:** Hogle, Paul < Paul. Hogle@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: documents

Please note, the abortion clinic survey reports are available at the receptionist desk in Lineberger. Please let me know if you need more information.

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From: James, Olivia
To: Conley, Azzie

Subject: RE: NC Statistics Request on abortions

Date: Thursday, May 14, 2015 12:14:54 PM

Thank you, Azzie!

From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Thursday, May 14, 2015 12:12 PM

To: James, Olivia

Cc: Jones, Jim; Lefebvre, Alexandra

Subject: RE: NC Statistics Request on abortions

In 2010 there was a total of fourteen licensed abortion clinics the performed abortions. The fourteen includes PP: Fayetteville. Also, in 2010, there were at least two ambulatory surgery centers that were licensed and performed abortions. Also, all licensed hospitals would have the capacity to perform abortion procedures. Thank you

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From: James, Olivia

Sent: Thursday, May 14, 2015 9:15 AM

To: Conley, Azzie

Cc: Jones, Jim; Lefebvre, Alexandra

Subject: RE: NC Statistics Request on abortions

Azzie,

Just following up on this- do you have the sites from 2010?

Thank you,

Olivia

From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Wednesday, May 13, 2015 10:08 AM

To: James, Olivia

Cc: Jones, Jim; Lefebvre, Alexandra

Subject: RE: NC Statistics Request on abortions

We are pulling the data for active sites in 2010. Thank you

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From: James, Olivia

Sent: Wednesday, May 13, 2015 9:56 AM

To: Conley, Azzie

Cc: Jones, Jim; Lefebvre, Alexandra

Subject: FW: NC Statistics Request on abortions

Azzie,

Please see the request below. I understand that from the chart we've sent her, all of those were practicing in 2010, except for Planned Parenthood Fayetteville. However, were there any clinics practicing in 2010 that have since closed?

Could you point me in the right direction for this information?

Thank you,

Olivia

From: Schafer, Susanne [mailto:SSCHAFER@ap.org]

Sent: Wednesday, May 13, 2015 9:52 AM

To: James, Olivia

Subject: RE: NC Statistics Request on abortions

Olivia,

Thank you for the information. There is one element I cannot find, and perhaps you can help me. The editors want to know how many of facilities in North Carolina were performing abortions in

2010.

Is that possible to get as well? I just need the number, not the names. Thank you! Susanne

From: James, Olivia [mailto:Olivia.James@dhhs.nc.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, May 12, 2015 5:21 PM **To:** Schafer, Susanne; Gerlach, Kendra **Cc:** Jones, Jim; Lefebvre, Alexandra

Subject: RE: NC Statistics Request on abortions

Susanne,

Here is the list of facilities in North Carolina which currently perform abortions.

Facility Name	Orig. Date of Licensure
A Preferred Women's Health Raleigh	1/1/1999
A Preferred Women's Health Charlotte	8/3/1999
A Woman's Choice of Raleigh	8/20/1993
Carolinas Women's Clinic Charlotte (Carolina Center for Women)	8/17/1984
Crist Clinic for Women Jacksonville	12/8/1997
Easton OB/GYN Chapel Hill	6/15/1989
Family Reproductive Health Charlotte	12/22/1992
Hallmark Women's Clinic Fayetteville	1/28/1980
Piedmont Carolina Medical Clinic Greensboro	7/28/1977
Planned Parenthood Fayetteville	1/14/2012
Planned Parenthood Central NC Chapel Hill	10/20/1998
Planned Parenthood Wilmington	1/17/1986
Planned Parenthood Winston Salem	5/7/1974
Women's Health Alliance Chapel Hill	11/29/1993

Additionally, the link below provides data on abortions performed in North Carolina: http://www.schs.state.nc.us/data/vital.cfm

Annual pregnancy, live birth and abortion, statistics are presented by age, race and marital status. Reports are available for the state, Perinatal Care regions and counties.

- North Carolina Reported Pregnancies for 2013
- North Carolina Reported Pregnancies for 2012
- North Carolina Reported Pregnancies for 2011
- North Carolina Reported Pregnancies for 2010
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Best,

Olivia

Olivia James

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From: Schafer, Susanne [mailto:SSCHAFER@ap.org]

Sent: Tuesday, May 12, 2015 10:26 AM

To: Gerlach, Kendra

Cc: Alesxandra.lefebvre@dhhs.nc.gov; James, Olivia; Kevin.Howell@dhhs.nc.gov

Subject: NC Statistics Request on abortions

Kendra,

I am an Associated Press reporter, a colleague of Gary Robertson's, working out of the South Carolina bureau in Columbia. I have been asked by our national editors to assist in a quick statistical review for all 50 states.

Gary was kind enough to steer me in your agency's direction.

We are seeking answers to two questions for each state:

- 1) The current number of licensed abortion clinics operating in the state and the number that existed in 2010.
- 2) The most recent annual number of abortions performed in the state, and the number for each year since 2010.

3)

My deadline is Thursday at 3 p.m.

I hope you can assist me in getting this information. If someone specific can help, please let me know so I don't crowd your inbox. If there is any problem, please let me know as soon as possible, and I think you for your help!

Susanne

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To: <u>Christopher Brook</u>; <u>Brajer, Rick</u>

Cc: <u>Howell, Eleanor</u>

Subject: RE: Public Record Request

Date: Friday, December 04, 2015 11:37:52 AM

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Hi Chris,

I just wanted to acknowledge receipt of your letter. We are forwarding it to our DHHS

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From: Christopher Brook [mailto:cbrook@acluofnc.org]

Sent: Friday, December 04, 2015 8:21 AM **To:** Brajer, Rick <Rick.Brajer@dhhs.nc.gov>

Cc: Howell, Eleanor <eleanor.howell@dhhs.nc.gov>; Milliken, Emery <emery.milliken@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: Public Record Request

Secretary Brajer,

Please find attached a public record request regarding DHHS's collection, retention, and use of patient information under revised N.C. Gen. Stat. 14-45.1(b1) and (c).

Thanks for your attention to this matter and please do not hesitate to be in touch if you have any questions.

Regards, Chris

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From: Conley Azzie
To: Hogle Paul

Subject: RE: Public Records Request- 14-45.1 Documents

Date: Monday, December 07, 2015 3:45:00 PM

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You are so welcome.

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From: Hogle, Paul

Sent: Monday, December 07, 2015 3:41 PM

To: Conley, Azzie

Subject: RE: Public Records Request- 14-45.1 Documents

Hi Azzie,

Thank you for following up so quickly and pointing me in the right direction. We're in contact with Dr. Williams.

You're always a tremendous help. I hope I can return the favor at some point.

Warmest regards,

Paul Hogle, J.D.

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From: Conley, Azzie

Sent: Monday, December 07, 2015 3:03 PM **To:** Hogle, Paul < <u>Paul. Hogle@dhhs.nc.gov</u>>

Subject: RE: Public Records Request- 14-45.1 Documents

Paul

Please contact Dr. Randall Williams. DPH is responsible for this information and not DHSR. Please let me know if I can assist. Thank you

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From: Hogle, Paul

Sent: Monday, December 07, 2015 1:44 PM

To: Conley, Azzie

Subject: Re: Public Records Request- 14-45.1 Documents

Hi Azzie,

Please see the attached request for documents related to the post-16 week reporting requirements and forms. Is there a good time I can call you to discuss? I understand Megan Lamphere may also have been involved in the development or may have some insight-please let me know if you feel I should start there or anyplace else (I want to be as respectful of your time as possible).

I hope all is well.

Warmest regards,

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From: Hogle, Paul

Sent: Friday, December 04, 2015 4:15 PM

To: cbrook@acluofnc.org

Cc: Hausman, Phillip < Phillip.Hausman@dhhs.nc.gov >; public.records < public.records@dhhs.nc.gov >

Subject: Re: Your Public Records Request- 14-45.1 Documents

Mr. Brook,

Thank you for your public records request. This email is to acknowledge the Department of Health and Human Services has received your request for:

- (1) All documents in DHHS's custody, and all DHHS communications, that relate in any way to N.C. Gen Stat. § 14-45.l(bl), including but not limited to DHHS use or anticipated use of the information that a qualified physician must submit pursuant to N.C. Gen Stat. § 14-45.l(bl);
- (2) All documents in DHHS's custody, and all DHHS communications, that relate in any way to the preparation of the revised Confidential Induced Abortion Case Report form;
- (3) All documents in DHHS's custody, and all DHHS communications, that relate in any way to the collection and retention of the Confidential Induced Abortion Case Report form and ultrasound images, including measures to ensure their confidentiality;
- (4) All documents in DHHS's custody, and all DHHS communications, that relate in any way to any person who will review, analyze, or have any other responsibilities related to the information qualified physicians must submit to DHHS pursuant to § 14-45.I(b1).

We are in the process of identifying what, if any, public records are responsive to your request, the location of those records, and assessing the resources required to fulfill your request. Please note that if there will be a charge associated with fulfilling your request, we will contact you prior to any charge being assessed. For additional information, the current cost schedule is available at http://www.ncdhhs.gov/control/pub_recs_charge.pdf.

In your request, you've asked for access to communications, some of which may be comprised of emails. In order to serve you better and help our IT staff more quickly and effectively identify emails responsive to your request, please provide the following information, for each email or correspondence search/query requested:

- Email Account(S) To Be Captured in Your Search (ex: Emails to or from John Doe, John Doe's Email, or john.doe@dhhs.nc.gov):
- Date Range To Be Searched:
- Desired Key Words Or Search Terms:

I am copying Phil Hausman (my Public Records colleague), as well as our service account on this email in the event you need immediate assistance and I am unavailable. Otherwise, please consider me your primary contact for this request.

NC DHHS is committed to responding to your request as promptly as possible. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, concerns, or you feel we may be able to help further tailor your search.

Again, thank you for your public records request to NC DHHS.

Sincerely,

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To: <u>Conley, Azzie</u>

Subject: RE: Re: Public Records Request

Date: Friday, November 20, 2015 3:17:06 PM

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Hi Azzie,

Yes, that's my understanding.

Thank you again.

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Sent: Friday, November 20, 2015 2:41 PM **To:** Hogle, Paul <Paul.Hogle@dhhs.nc.gov>

Cc: Hausman, Phillip < Phillip. Hausman@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: RE: Re: Public Records Request

Based on my review the request of for all abortion clinics. Is this correct?

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From: Hogle, Paul

Sent: Friday, November 20, 2015 2:28 PM

To: Conley, Azzie **Cc:** Hausman, Phillip

Subject: Re: Public Records Request

Hi Azzie,

I got some clarification from the requestor. For licensed clinincs:

"I'd like the inspection reports for all counties in North Carolina, please. If they are bi-annual, please give me both for 2015. If they are annual, please give me 2014 and 2015."

Please let me know if I can help in any way. Thanks, as always, for all your work. We truly appreciate it.

Warmest regards,

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From: Pfeiffer, Nadine

To: <u>Lefebvre, Alexandra; Conley, Azzie</u>
Cc: <u>Pratt, Drexdal; Gerlach, Kendra</u>

Subject: RE: TIME SENSITIVE - Media Question - Abortion Rules

Date: Monday, March 30, 2015 4:37:53 PM

That sounds great! Thank you!!!

From: Lefebvre, Alexandra

Sent: Monday, March 30, 2015 4:20 PM **To:** Pfeiffer, Nadine; Conley, Azzie

Cc: Pratt, Drexdal; Gerlach, Kendra

Subject: RE: TIME SENSITIVE - Media Question - Abortion Rules

Thanks, Azzie and Nadine!

Please see my edits (regarding NCGA) I simply deleted 'for final vote'. If they get sent to the GA there are numerous outcomes so I don't want to single one out, does that make sense?:

Gary,

DHHS is currently gathering with the same stakeholder group involved in promulgating the rules to review and discuss the almost 1400 public comments we received after the public hearing held on December 19, 2014. The public comment period ended on January 30, 2015. DHHS has one year from this date to adopt the rules, then 30 days from the adoption date to submit the rules to the Rules Review Commission.

After DHHS and the stakeholder group convene to discuss the comments, we will update our proposed effective date and a proposal will be made to the Rules Review Commission. Once approved by the Commission, there is a period of time where the public may object to the rules. If 10 letters of objection are received, the rules will be sent to the General Assembly. If there are less than 10 letters of objection, the rules will take effect.

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From: Pfeiffer, Nadine

Sent: Monday, March 30, 2015 3:44 PM **To:** Lefebvre, Alexandra; Conley, Azzie **Cc:** Pratt, Drexdal; Gerlach, Kendra

Subject: RE: TIME SENSITIVE - Media Question - Abortion Rules

Alexandra,

The dates are all correct and the overall process is stated well.

Just to clarify a few points, the DHHS has 12 months from the time of the end of the public comment period to adopt the rule, then 30 days from adoption to submit to the RRC for them to approve the rule. Also in sending to the General Assembly, this is what GS 150B says which is a bit convoluted, but the rules could become effective if no bill to stop them is introduced:

(b1) Delayed Effective Dates. -- If the Commission received written objections to the rule in accordance with subsection (b2) of this section, the rule becomes effective on the earlier of the thirty-first legislative day or the day of adjournment of the next regular session of the General Assembly that begins at least 25 days after the date the Commission approved the rule, unless a different effective date applies under this section. If a bill that specifically disapproves the rule is introduced in either house of the General Assembly before the thirty-first legislative day of that session, the rule becomes effective on the earlier of either the day an unfavorable final action is taken on the bill or the day that session of the General Assembly adjourns without ratifying a bill that specifically disapproves the rule. If the agency adopting the rule specifies a later effective date than the date that would otherwise apply under this subsection, the later date applies. A permanent rule that is not approved by the Commission or that is specifically disapproved by a bill ratified by the General Assembly before it becomes effective does not become effective. A bill specifically disapproves a rule if it contains a provision that refers to the rule by appropriate North Carolina Administrative Code citation and states that the rule is disapproved. Notwithstanding any rule of either house of the General Assembly, any member of the General Assembly may introduce a bill during the first 30 legislative days of any regular session to disapprove a rule that has been approved by the Commission and that either has not become effective or has become effective by executive order under subsection (c) of this section.

Nadine

From: Lefebvre, Alexandra

Sent: Monday, March 30, 2015 3:30 PM

To: Conley, Azzie; Pfeiffer, Nadine **Cc:** Pratt, Drexdal; Gerlach, Kendra

Subject: TIME SENSITIVE - Media Question - Abortion Rules

Importance: High

From the AP:

the proposed abortion clinic rules that DHHS hoped would take effect April 1 (page 1290, NC Register, Volume 29, Issue 11, Dec. 1, 2014). Will the rules take effect on that date? If not, why not? When does the department hope to release the finalized rules and/or present them to the Rules Review Commission?

My draft in response, please respond with any edits or concerns:

Gary,

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review and discuss the almost 1400 public comments we received after the public hearing held on December 19, 2014. The public comment period ended on January 30, 2015. DHHS has one year from this date to submit the rules to the Rules Review Commission.

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From: <u>Lewis, Steven</u>

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Cc: Christian, Patsy

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Attachments: Annual Staff Training Presentation Construction changes for NOV 2015 meeting.ppt

Construction changes to slide.

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Morning Folks

We are working diligently this week and next to finalize the ppt presentation for the staff training event. I am including updated slides for all the L&C Sections and Construction re: their progress on home-basing survey staff. Please update you slides and send them to me by Monday. I would include info with #'s of survey staff you would home base, including Raleigh staff, by the end of the year (if all your needed equipment came in by then). Please just use your slide from 2014 presentation, revise and send it back. Thanks!

Megan – slide 19 Azzie – slide 20 Steve – slide 21

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